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ABSTRACT

From 1995 through 1998, surveys for amphibians and reptiles (herps) were conducted by Montana Natural Heritage Program biologists on 340 sites in the Bureau of Land Management Lewistown District in north central Montana. A total of 102 site surveys were made during the contract period of 1997 - 1998. An additional 238 sites were surveyed for herps within the same area in conjunction with 1995 - 1996 colonial waterbird surveys. Those observations have been included in this report.

Localized areas across the entire region were covered in the surveys. The majority of the surveys of ponds, lakes, seeps, streams or other wetlands were conducted by one individual. Each survey took from 5 to 420 person-minutes and consisted of a thorough search of the wetland perimeter in combination with netting of near shore aquatic habitats for adults, eggs, larvae, and tadpoles. Stream sampling was done by hand and dipnet. At seeps, rocks and logs were overturned in and near wet areas to expose hidden specimens. In addition to surveys, observations of road kills were recorded, as were identified calls and fortuitous sightings by those conducting the surveys or other reliable individuals.

During 1995 - 1998, eleven amphibian and twelve reptile species were detected within the Lewistown District survey area. Those species included: Long-toed Salamander (*Ambystoma macrodactylum*), Tiger Salamander (*Ambystoma tigrinum*), Tailed Frog (*Ascaphus truei*), Western Toad (*Bufo boreas*), Great Plains Toad (*Bufo cognatus*), Canadian Toad (*Bufo hemiophrys*), Woodhouse's Toad (*Bufo woodhousii*), Western Chorus Frog (*Pseudacris triseriata*), Plains Spadefoot (*Spea bombifrons*), Northern Leopard Frog (*Rana pipiens*), Spotted Frog (*Rana luteiventris*), Short-horned Lizard (*Phrynosoma hernandesi*), Sagebrush Lizard (*Sceloporus graciosus*), Painted Turtle (*Chrysemys picta*), Spiny Softshell (*Trionyx spiniferus*), Rubber Boa (*Charina bottae*), Racer (*Coluber constrictor*), Western Hognose Snake (*Heterodon nasicus*), Gopher Snake Or Bullsnake (*Pituophis catenifer*), Western Rattlesnake (*Crotalus viridis*), Common Garter Snake (*Thamnophis sirtalis*), Western Terrestrial Garter Snake (*Thamnophis elegans*), and Plains Garter Snake (*Thamnophis radix*). The site surveys during the same period revealed nine amphibian species and five reptile species.

Historical records and earlier surveys indicated the presence of two additional species within the study that were not encountered during the 1996 - 1998 surveys: Bullfrog (*Rana catesbeiana*) and Milk Snake (*Lampropeltis triangulum*).

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Jim Reichel, MTNHP Zoologist, died prior to the completion of this project. Jim was instrumental in organizing this project and conducting a series of amphibian and reptile surveys across Montana, the first comprehensive inventory in three decades. This report represents one of a series of projects that contribute to a baseline inventory of the entire state.

INTRODUCTION

Many amphibians are apparently declining in the western U.S. and world-wide. Acid rain, ozone depletion, pollution by toxic chemicals and heavy metals, predation and/or competition by exotic species, habitat alteration, climatic changes, disease, immune system problems, and combinations of several of these factors have all been suggested as possible causes (Corn and Fogelman 1984, Phillips 1990, Yoffe 1992).

Preliminary data indicate that the Northern Leopard Frog (*Rana pipiens*) has disappeared over much of its former range in western Montana and is declining in at least some areas of eastern Montana. Status and population trends of several toad species (*Bufo* spp.) are unknown, although declines of the Western Toad (*Bufo boreas*) have recently been reported in northern Idaho (C. Peterson pers. comm.), northwestern Montana (Werner and Reichel 1994), Yellowstone National Park (Koch and Peterson 1995) and Colorado (Carey 1993). The Western Toad is likely to be reclassified in the near future as Sensitive by Region I of the U.S. Forest Service (B. Maxell, pers. comm.). Land-use practices, such as large-scale logging, continue to be detrimental to resident herpetofauna in some regions of the western U.S. (Bury et al. 1991), while the impacts of grazing on amphibians and reptiles and their habitats remain poorly studied and understood. Heavy grazing in and around breeding waters may also negatively impact amphibians and reptiles living in riparian and wetland sites by 1) eliminating emergent vegetation necessary for egg and larval survival, 2) lowering water quality, especially causing high siltation levels, 3) soil compaction and trampling of turtle eggs, and 4) trampling of other eggs, larvae and adults. Additionally, "improving" seeps and springs for livestock watering may make them unavailable to breeding amphibians.

The Montana Natural Heritage Program currently (1998) lists five amphibian and five reptile species as Animal Species of Special Concern. Of these, one amphibian and four reptiles are presently known to occur in or near the region of focus in this report. They are: Northern Leopard Frog (*Rana pipiens*), Snapping Turtle (*Chelydra serpentina*), Spiny Softshell (*Trionyx spiniferus*), Western Hognose Snake (*Heterodon nasicus*), and Smooth Green Snake (*Liophorophis vernalis*)

Particular attention was focused on a group of species in conducting these surveys because of special interest: Smooth Green Snake, Bullfrog, Wood Frog, Woodhouse's Toad, and Great Plains Toad. Of these, Woodhouse's Toad, and Great Plains Toad, were observed in the area.

METHODS

The BLM's Lewistown District in north central Montana was surveyed during this 1995 - 1998 inventory.

Historical locations of amphibians and reptiles were recorded from literature (see Bibliography) and museum specimen records. Records were received from over 20 major North American museums that have computerized their collection records (see Acknowledgments). Locations derived from these sources have been entered into a database and digitized. Distribution maps were created using survey and sighting data and historical records, including museum specimens.

Survey sites were chosen based on 3 criteria: 1) high priority sites as determined by the BLM; 2) location of streams, seeps and wetlands on topographic maps; and 3) accessibility of the wetlands by roads. Based on the above, between three and eight sites per observer were chosen daily for surveys. From five to 420 minutes was spent at each site (with an average survey time of 37 minutes), depending upon the size of the area and what was found. Initially, the entire shoreline, or a major part thereof, was searched by walking slowly along the edge and up into the surrounding vegetation, including rolling over rocks and logs. At regular intervals, the aquatic habitat was sampled for tadpoles or larvae using dipnets. If the initial sampling showed amphibian/reptile species present, further effort was expended in order to get a more comprehensive view of abundance and distribution.

An attempt was made to capture at least the first few individuals of a species seen at a survey site. The species name was recorded along with developmental stage and sex (if possible); the animals were then released. On occasion, representative samples of the more common species in an area were preserved for permanent museum records and will be deposited at the Idaho State University Museum. Water temperature, air temperature, and a general description of the area were recorded. Standard data sheets were used during this project; the amphibian survey data sheet was developed by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and is used extensively by a variety of researchers in the western U.S. Much site-specific data was gathered during these surveys; not all data has been analyzed or is presented in this report, but is available from the Montana Natural Heritage Program.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

A total of 340 sites was surveyed during the months of May, June, July, and October from 1995 through 1998. Surveys were carried out at 102 sites during 1997 – 1998, while an additional 238 sites were surveyed for herps within the same area in conjunction with 1995 – 1996 colonial waterbird surveys (see Reichel, 1996). Localized areas across the entire region were covered in the surveys. Of the total 340 sites, 232

(68%) had one or more amphibian or reptile species present (Appendix 1). During the 1996 – 1998 site surveys, 83 of the 102 sites (81%) had one or more amphibian or reptile species present. Although no species of amphibians or reptiles were found at 108 sites, their absence may have been due to the time of day, weather conditions, or other factors at the time of sampling.

Many of the 1995 surveys were done in an intensive focused manner, with the survey sites identified as all wetland sites within a randomly chosen USGS 7.5 minute quad. This sampling method helped set the parameters for the search pattern for a more widespread survey plan (see Reichel, 1996). Survey time ranged from 5 to 420 minutes (mean = 37 min., sum 12,260 min.) across all surveys, while survey time during the 1997 – 1998 surveys ranged from 10 to 180 minutes (mean = 50 min., sum 4,869 min.). Appendix 1 includes 1995 – 1998 herp survey site survey information within the BLM Lewistown district. Surveys are indexed by County, township, range, section, and quarter section. Species detected at each site are listed, as is the survey date, start time, survey duration (in minutes), elevation of site, approximate wetland area (square meters), site name, and applicable notes.

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No more than four species were detected at any one site. There were four species detected at four sites; three species at eight sites; two species at 64 sites; and a single species at 164 sites. Western Chorus Frog was the herp detected most often during the surveys, with 167 records, or 49% of the surveys. Northern Leopard Frog was detected at 39 sites, or during 12% of the surveys. Plains Garter Snake ranked third in number of detections, with 37 observations, or on 11% of the surveys.

Sagebrush Lizard was reported for the first time at one location within the Lewistown district during the 1995 - 1998 period. It was not, however, detected on any surveys of the area. Rubber Boa was detected only once during the period and only once previously within the area. Two species, Bullfrog and Milk Snake, had been observed within the survey area in years previous to the surveys, but neither were detected in the

area during 1995 - 1998. Great Plains Toad, which has two historical records in the area, was recorded at two locations. However, one record from a site survey has not yet been confirmed and is based on a specimen of a very young tadpole. Of the species observed historically in the area, but not during these surveys: The Bullfrog is not native to the area, but had been reported on one previous occasion. Milk Snake had been observed on at least four occasions prior to 1995.

Individual species observation tables for amphibians and reptiles on the Lewistown District follow (table 1, table 2). For individual species description, habitat and habit, status information, and state range maps, see Reichel and Flath (1995).

Table 1. Amphibian site records from the Lewistown district in Montana Natural Heritage Program databases.

Common Name	Species Name	Pre 1995	1995-96 all records	1995-96 surveys	1997-96 all records	1997-98 surveys	Total records
Long-toed Salamander	<i>(Ambystoma macrodactylum)</i>	12	4	3	0	0	16
Tiger Salamander	<i>(Ambystoma tigrinum)</i>	31	22	14	7	7	60
Tailed Frog	<i>(Ascaphus truei)</i>	12	6	0	1	0	19
Western Toad	<i>(Bufo boreas)</i>	55	12	2	2	2	69
Great Plains Toad	<i>(Bufo cognatus)</i>	2	0	0	2	1?	4
Canadian Toad	<i>(Bufo hemiophrys)</i>	0	1	0	0	0	1
Woodhouse's Toad	<i>(Bufo woodhousii)</i>	8	14	2	6	1	28
Western Chorus Frog	<i>(Pseudacris triseriata)</i>	45	165	114	94	53	304
Plains Spadefoot	<i>(Spea bombifrons)</i>	6	4	3	4	2	14
Bullfrog	<i>(Rana catesbeiana)</i>	1	0	0	0	0	1
Northern Leopard Frog	<i>(Rana pipiens)</i>	39	25	19	36	20	100
Columbia Spotted Frog	<i>(Rana luteiventris)</i>	70	36	12	20	10	126
Total records	12 Species	281	289	169	172	96	742

Table 2. Reptile site records from the Lewistown district in Montana Natural Heritage Program databases.

Common Name	Species Name	Pre 1995	1995-96 all records	1995-96 surveys	1997-98 all records	1997-98 surveys	Total records
Short-horned Lizard	<i>(Phrynosoma hernandesi)</i>	7	2	0	1	0	10
Sagebrush Lizard	<i>(Sceloporus graciosus)</i>	0	1	0	0	0	1
Painted Turtle	<i>(Chrysemys picta)</i>	7	17	2	6	1	37
Spiny Softshell	<i>(Trionyx spiniferus)</i>	1	4	0	4	0	9
Rubber Boa	<i>(Charina bottae)</i>	1	0	0	1	0	2
Racer	<i>(Coluber constrictor)</i>	9	7	0	18	4	34
Western Hognose Snake	<i>(Heterodon nasicus)</i>	6	1	0	1	0	8
Milk Snake	<i>(Lampropeltis triangulum)</i>	4	0	0	0	0	4
Gopher Snake Or Bullsnae	<i>(Pituophis catenifer)</i>	11	12	0	22	0	45
Western Rattlesnake	<i>(Crotalus viridis)</i>	31	22	0	21	0	74
Common Garter Snake	<i>(Thamnophis sirtalis)</i>	24	1	1	3	1	28
Western Terrestrial Garter Snake	<i>(Thamnophis elegans)</i>	49	19	1	19	0	87
Plains Garter Snake	<i>(Thamnophis radix)</i>	19	25	17	31	20	75
Total records:	13 Species	169	111	21	127	26	414

Species Present and Potential Species on the Lewistown District

Long-toed Salamander (*Ambystoma macrodactylum*)

AAAAA01080

Description: Adults are dark gray to black with an irregular (and sometimes broken) green to yellow stripe down the middle of the back. Adult snout-vent length varies from 2 to 3.25". All salamanders have smooth moist skin without scales.

Eggs and Larvae: Egg masses are typically laid in small clusters of 5-100 eggs but may be laid singly (Nussbaum *et al.* 1983); egg masses are typically attached to underwater vegetation or submerged branches. Within the clear gelatinous eggs, the embryos are somewhat light-colored, while frog and toad embryos are dark (except in Tailed Frogs). Larval Long-toed Salamanders are typically brown- or gray-colored, are found in ponds, have three external gills, and are relatively small (<1.75" snout-vent) and slender. They are distinguished from Tiger Salamander larvae by the 9-13 gill rakers on the inside of the 3rd gill arch (17-22 rakers on the Tiger Salamander); they are also smaller and lack the large head and mouth.

Similar species: Adult Long-toed Salamanders can be distinguished from Coeur d'Alene Salamanders by the longest toe on the hind foot which is longer than the sole and a yellow throat patch. Long-toed Salamanders lack a groove running vertically from nostril to mouth.

Habitat and Habits: Long-toed Salamanders are found in a variety of habitats from sagebrush to nearly alpine. They breed in ponds or lakes (very rarely in slow moving streams), usually those without fish present. Adults go to the breeding ponds immediately after snow-melt and are usually the earliest breeding amphibians in western Montana. In the Pacific Northwest, eggs hatch in 3-6 weeks and metamorphosis occurs after 2-14 months (Nussbaum *et al.* 1983, Leonard *et al.* 1993). Individuals were found in the Rocky Mountains and the Elkhorn Mountains from 4350 - 7050 ft. elevation in a survey of the Helena National Forest (Reichel 1996).

Surveying: Larvae can readily be seen in ponds during the day and sampled with a dipnet; egg masses are somewhat harder to see. During the breeding season, adults may also be seen in the water, particularly during night surveys. During the rest of the spring, summer and fall, adults may occasionally be found in and under logs on the forest floor. Metamorphosed individuals are active at night, particularly when it is warm and rainy; they may be captured at this time by either night searches or pitfall traps.

Status: The Long-toed Salamander is the most common salamander in western Montana. The Long-toed Salamander is also found in the northwestern part of the Elkhorns, the farthest east reported location in its range. The Elkhorns are the only isolated mountain range east of the Continental Divide where this species is found (Reichel 1995a).

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G5 S5.

Tiger Salamander (*Ambystoma tigrinum*)

AAAAA01140

Description: Adults have smooth moist skin with a highly variable color pattern; usually the background color is dark, with lighter blotches of yellow, tan or green. The adult is large and heavy-bodied with a snout to vent length of 3-6". Adult Tiger Salamanders can be separated from other Montana species by: 1) their large size and heavy body; and 2) two prominent tubercles on the bottom of each hind foot.

Eggs and Larvae: Egg masses are typically laid in small clusters of 5-120, but may be laid singly (Nussbaum *et al.* 1983, Leonard *et al.* 1993). They are usually attached to vegetation and placed 2-10" below the surface of the water (Hammerson 1982a). Larval Tiger Salamanders are typically pale green or brown-colored, though those living in bentonite clay ponds may be nearly white. They are found in lakes and ponds, have external gills, and are relatively large (0.75-4" snout to vent) and heavy-bodied.

Similar species: Idaho Giant Salamanders in western Montana. None in eastern Montana.

Habitat and Habits: Tiger Salamanders in eastern Montana are primarily associated with prairie or agricultural habitats. They are also found in wooded draws and ponderosa pine forests (Reichel 1995b, Hendricks and Reichel 1996). They breed in ponds or lakes, usually those without fish present. In arid areas, they may also be found in springs, intermittent streams, and stock ponds. Adults spend much of the day in rodent burrows, becoming active on the surface at night. Adults may be active relatively late in the year.

Surveying: Larvae and eggs may be seen in ponds during the day and may be sampled with a dipnet. Migrations of hundreds or thousands of newly transformed adults are occasionally seen in mid-late summer or early fall. During the breeding season, adults are often seen moving to or away from the water or breeding in it. Pitfall and minnow traps may be used to capture adults at this time. Throughout the rest of the summer adults are difficult to find; using pitfall traps or driving roads on warm rainy nights may be the best techniques then.

Status: The only salamander in eastern Montana. The species is widespread and probably more abundant than survey records indicate.

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G5 S5.

Tailed Frog (*Ascaphus truei*)

AAAAA01010

Description: Adults are gray or brown with gray, brown, or occasionally yellow blotches; the skin has a distinctly bumpy texture. The adult has a snout-vent length of 1.5-2" and lacks a tympanum. The outer toe of the hind foot is broader than the other toes. The male has a bulbous "tail" which acts as a penis.

Eggs and Larvae: Approximately 50 eggs are laid in bead-like strings attached to the underside of rocks. The tadpole (up to 2" long) is unique in that it has a large mouth modified into a sucker; the color is quite variable.

Similar species: No other frog or toad has the outer toe of the hind foot broader than the other toes; all other frogs and toads have a tympanum behind each eye.

Habitat and Habits: Tailed Frogs are found in and along small, swift, cold mountain streams. In the Cascade Mountains of Washington and Oregon, the Tailed Frog appears to be very sensitive to siltation and frequently disappears in and downstream from clearcuts and water diversions (Bury, pers. comm.).

Preliminary findings do not indicate that this is the case in Montana. Eggs are laid during the late summer and take approximately four weeks to hatch.

Tadpoles take 1-4 years to metamorphose, depending on water temperature (Nussbaum *et al.* 1983; Metter 1967). Sexual maturity in Montana is attained at ages 6-7, (Daugherty and Sheldon 1982) which is the latest age for sexual maturity of any North American amphibian.

Surveying: Tadpoles are frequently found while electro-shocking fish. They may also be found by turning over rocks in rapid water, with a net held just downstream.

Adults are best found by walking up streams starting 30-60 minutes after dark.

Status: Tailed Frogs should be considered a species with a very localized distribution in Montana. However, the species may be more common and widespread in suitable habitat than is currently known. It should be looked for throughout its potential range. It is common and widespread in northwestern Montana (Reichel and Flath 1995, Werner and Reichel 1994, 1996). Previously it was a USFWS Candidate species (C-2). We would recommend that all sightings of this species be reported.

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G5 S3S4.

Western Toad (*Bufo boreas*)**AAAAA01140**

Description: Adults are colored with a gray, brown, or olive-green mottling and a prominent white or yellowish line down the center of the back; very young transformed toads typically lack the dorsal line, and the warts are often red-brown in color. The pupils are horizontal. The adult has a body length of 2.5-5". There are no cranial crests and the skin is relatively dry with many warts and glands present.

Eggs and Larvae: Eggs are laid in long, clear, double strings, and each has a black embryo. Tadpoles are typically jet black, while all mid- to large-sized frog tadpoles in Montana are green or bronze (except for some Tailed Frogs); very small frog tadpoles are also black.

Similar species: Other Montana toads have cranial crests between their eyes. The Plains Spadefoot has one tubercle on the sole of the hind feet, a vertical pupil, and smoother skin. **NOTE:** It is very difficult to distinguish among the four Montana toad species eggs, larvae, and recently-transformed toadlets.

Habitat and Habits: Adults are largely terrestrial and found in a variety of habitats from valley bottoms to high elevations; they breed in lakes, ponds, and slow streams with a preference for shallow areas with mud bottoms. Breeding and egg laying in Montana usually takes place 1-3 months after snow-melt, from April at lower elevations to July at higher sites. Tadpoles are typically 2-3 months old at metamorphosis in Montana, depending on water temperature (Black 1970). Following metamorphosis, hundreds of small toads, many with the tails still present, can be found on the shores of breeding ponds.

Surveying: Tadpoles are easily seen in ponds during the day and can be sampled with a dipnet. During the breeding season, adults may be seen in the water but at other times are found in more terrestrial habitats.

Status: The rarity of this species and lack of recent sightings in the eastern ranges is of concern. Brunson (1952) regarded the Western Toad as one of the most common batrachians (frogs and toads) in western Montana. Black (1970) supported its common occurrence not only in the west, but also in many counties east of the continental divide. The Western Toad has declined from the most common anuran in western Montana, to a relatively rare one in the state in the past 25 years (Reichel and Flath 1995, Werner and Plumber 1995, Werner and Reichel 1994, 1996).

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service now lists this species as a Candidate (C-1) species in Colorado, Wyoming, and New Mexico. Apparent declines have recently been reported in northern Idaho (C. Peterson pers. comm.), Yellowstone National Park (Koch and Peterson 1995, Peterson *et al.* 1992), Wyoming, and Colorado (Carey 1993). We would recommend that all sightings of this species be reported and that a monitoring program be set up for this species.

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G4 S3S4.

Great Plains Toad (*Bufo cognatus*)**AAABB01050**

Description: Adults have dry skin with small warts. The coloration is dominated by a number of large, dark, somewhat symmetrical spots surrounded by light edges on the back. The dorsal background color is gray, light brown or olive green. The Great Plains Toad has converging v-shaped cranial crests between the eyes and post-orbital crests connecting to them at a right angle behind the eyes; the post-orbital crests typically touch the parotoid glands. The pupils are horizontal. The adult has two black tubercles on the hind feet and a body length of 2 - 3.5". *Eggs and Tadpoles:* Similar to Woodhouse's Toad.

Similar species: Other Montana toads lack the somewhat symmetrical spotted pattern on the back. **NOTE:** It is very difficult to distinguish among the four Montana toad species in recently transformed toadlets.

Habitat and Habits: Adults may favor higher elevation grasslands than Woodhouse's Toad, which favors floodplains (Bragg 1940, Timkin and Dunlap 1965, Black 1970). They have also been found in agricultural areas, open Ponderosa pine forests and savannahs in southeastern Montana (Black 1970). They are most active on nights following heavy rains (Hammerson 1982a). They normally breed in temporary ponds resulting from heavy rains or irrigation runoff or reservoirs with much fluctuation (Bragg 1940, Hammerson 1982a). In Montana, breeding apparently occurs from May to July (Black 1970). Females lay strings of eggs that hatch after 2-3 days (Hammerson 1982a). Young typically metamorphose after about 1.5 months, though this has been reported to occur in as few as 17 days (Hahn 1968, Hammerson 1982a). They spend much of the year underground and emerge in response to warm rains.

Surveying: Adults may be located by using their loud, identifying calls on warm (>60°F) nights following heavy rains (Hammerson 1982a). "Road hunting" on warm nights may also be effective. Eggs and tadpoles are seen in ponds during the day and can be sampled with a dipnet; however, identification of toad eggs and tadpoles is difficult to impossible in the field.

Status: Occurs in localized areas in eastern Montana, with large gaps in its known range. Geographical and habitat relationships of the Great Plains Toad with other toads in Montana are not well known, nor are status and distribution clear. It should be watched for at low elevations in prairie or shrub-steppe habitat. Any located should be well-documented with a description written at the time indicating how this species was differentiated from other toads present in Montana.

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G5 S3S4.

Canadian Toad (*Bufo hemiophrys*)

AAABB01080

Description: Adults have dry skin with small warts, and are gray, brown, or olive-green with mottling or spots. A somewhat indistinct white or yellowish line runs down the center of the back. It has parallel cranial crests that are fused into a lump between the eyes; the lump may or may not have a groove in the center. Post-orbital crests behind the eyes are absent or poorly developed. The adult has two black tubercles on the hind feet and a body length of 1.5-3".

Eggs and Tadpoles: Similar to the Western Toad.

Similar species: The Western Toad lacks cranial crests. The Great Plains Toad has large, white-bordered, dark dorsal blotches. Woodhouse's Toad lacks the lump between the eyes, has well-developed post-orbital crests, and frequently has its parotoid gland touching the post-orbital crests. **NOTE:** It is very difficult to distinguish among the four Montana toad species in recently-transformed toadlets.

Habitat and Habits: A toad of the prairie, usually found near water. It burrows extensively and probably requires deep, soft soil. Little is known of this species in Montana.

Status: Extremely rare in Montana; known from a single site in Daniels County. Nearly extinct in Wyoming. Geographic and habitat relationships with other toads in Montana are poorly known.

Woodhouse's Toad (*Bufo woodhousii*)**AAABB01180**

Description: Adults have dry skin with small warts, and are gray, brown, or olive-green with paler mottling or spots. A prominent white or yellowish line runs down the center of the back; very young transformed toads typically lack the dorsal line, and the warts are often red-brown in color. Woodhouse's Toad has parallel cranial crests between the eyes and post-orbital crests connecting to them at a right angle behind the eyes; the post-orbital crests typically touch the parotoid glands. If a lump-like boss is present on the snout, it does not extend back between the eyes. The pupils are horizontal. The adult has two black tubercles on the hind feet and a body length of 2.5-4".

Eggs and Tadpoles: Similar to those of the Western Toad.

Similar species: The Western Toad lacks cranial crests. The Great Plains Toad has large, white-bordered, dark, dorsal blotches. The Canadian Toad has a lump between the eyes; frequently the parotoid gland is separated from the post-orbital crest which may be broken or absent. NOTE: It is very difficult to distinguish among the four Montana toad species eggs, larvae, and recently-transformed toadlets.

Habitat and Habits: Adults are partially terrestrial but often found near water. They are usually found in irrigated agricultural areas and flood plains, rather than the more upland areas used by Great Plains Toads (Bragg 1940, Timkin and Dunlap 1965, Black 1970). They are most active at night, although they may at times be found feeding during the day (Hammerson 1982a). They typically breed in permanent lakes, ponds, reservoirs, and slow streams, with a preference for shallow areas with mud bottoms (Black 1970, Hammerson 1982a, Baxter and Stone 1985). Breeding and egg laying is spread out over the spring and early summer, with known dates from Montana ranging from 4 May to 1 July (Black 1970).

Surveying: Adults may easily be found by using their loud calls for identification on warm (>54° F) nights; calling peaks during the first few hours after sunset (Hammerson 1982a). "Road hunting" on warm nights may also be effective. Eggs and tadpoles are seen in ponds during the day and can be sampled with a dipnet; however, identification of toad eggs and tadpoles ranges from difficult to impossible in the field.

Status: Woodhouse's Toad is relatively common in southeastern Montana, however, its status elsewhere in the state is unclear. Geographic and habitat relationships with other toads in Montana are not well known. It should be watched for at low elevations in prairie or shrub-steppe habitat; it could occur along the Missouri River. Any located should be well documented with a description indicating how the species was differentiated.

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G5 S4.

Western Chorus Frog (*Pseudacris triseriata*)**AAABC05070**

Description: Adults are very small (0.75-1.5") and have tiny, almost unnoticeable toe pads. They have a dark line extending from the snout through the eye to the groin. Basic coloration is quite variable with the background color being green, brown, gray, or reddish. Typically 3-5 dark longitudinal stripes are present on the head and back which may be broken up into spots on some individuals.

Eggs and Tadpoles: Eggs are laid in small clusters of 10-100, usually less than 1" across and attached to submerged vegetation (Wheeler and Wheeler 1966, Baxter and Stone 1985). Individual eggs are about 1 mm in diameter. Tadpoles are brown/bronze and the eyes are located on the sides of the head.

Similar species: Pacific Chorus Frogs (*Pseudacris regilla*) have obvious toe pads and an eye stripe ending at the shoulder. Recently metamorphosed Ranid frogs could be confused with this species but the coloration differs and the tiny toe pads are lacking (often visible only with a magnifying glass on small chorus frogs).

Habitat and Habits: Western Chorus Frogs are regularly found in the water only during the breeding period in spring. Their presence is obvious during this time due to their call which is given frequently at night and sporadically throughout the day. Following breeding, these frogs move into adjacent uplands and are rarely seen. In eastern Montana they breed in temporary ponds and small lakes surrounded by prairie; in some locations in Montana they are also found in open forested habitats. Eggs hatch in about 2 weeks and tadpoles are about 2 months old at metamorphosis (Wheeler and Wheeler 1966, Nussbaum *et al.* 1983).

Surveying: Adults are easily surveyed for, using their calls for identification during the breeding season in the spring and early summer. During the breeding season, adults may also be seen in the water, but their small size and habit of freezing or diving when disturbed makes observation difficult; night surveys may be more productive. Egg masses are difficult to find. Tadpoles may be seen in ponds during the day and can be sampled with a dipnet.

Status: Common throughout the prairies of eastern Montana.

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G5 S5.

Plains Spadefoot (*Scaphiopus [=Spea] bombifrons*)

AAABF02010

Description: Adults are colored gray or brown with darker mottling on the back and a white belly. Some individuals have indistinct longitudinal streaking. The pupils of the Plains Spadefoot are vertically elliptical and there is a high, hard lump between the eyes. Its skin is less warty than true toads. The adult has a single tubercle on the hind feet and has a body length of less than 2.5".

Eggs and Tadpoles: Oval egg masses of 10-250 eggs are attached to underwater plants or debris. Tadpoles are mottled sooty and olive-yellow above and paler below with gold metallic flecking over all; iris is gold.

Similar species: Other Montana frogs and toads have round or horizontally elliptical pupils.

Habitat and Habits: Adults are found in grassland and sagebrush areas, particularly in areas with sandy or loose soil (Wheeler and Wheeler 1966, Hammerson 1982a, Baxter and Stone 1985). Except during breeding, they are seldom found in the water. They are primarily nocturnal and emerge from their burrows only following heavy rains. They breed in shallow temporary pools usually following heavy spring or summer rains (Hammerson 1982a). Males call loudly, with groups being heard for up to a mile. Eggs hatch after 2-3 days and tadpoles transform in 6-10 weeks (Wheeler and Wheeler 1966, Hammerson 1982a).

Surveying: Adults may be easily found by using their calls for identification when breeding at night or by "road hunting" on warm, rainy nights. Calling normally takes place only when the temperature is >50° F (Hammerson 1982). Tadpoles are seen in ponds during the day and can be sampled with a dipnet. Surveying is complicated by the long time periods which this species spends underground, especially during droughts.

Status: Locally common in eastern Montana; there are large gaps in the known range. It should be watched for at low elevations in prairie or shrub-steppe habitat. Any located should be well-documented.

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G5 S4?

Northern Leopard Frog (*Rana pipiens*)**AAABH01170**

Description: Adults are brown or green with large, dark spots surrounded by light-colored halos on the sides and back. The dorso-lateral folds (ridges along the sides of the back) are usually lighter in color than the surrounding background. The under-side is typically white, but may be cream-colored or yellowish. The adult has a body length of 2-5". Newly transformed froglets may lack spots and are about 1" in length (Leonard *et al.* 1993).

Eggs and Tadpoles: Eggs are laid in 2-5" globular masses composed of hundreds to thousands of eggs (Hammerson 1982a, Nussbaum *et al.* 1983). The tadpoles are brown to dark brown on top with some metallic flecking, whereas the underside is often nearly transparent (Nussbaum *et al.* 1983). Total length of tadpoles may reach more than 3"; the eyes are located on top of the head.

Similar species: None, although some newly-transformed froglets may lack spots, which makes them extremely difficult to distinguish from Spotted and Wood Frogs.

Habitat and Habits: Northern Leopard Frogs are found in or near water in non-forested habitats. Vegetation is typically dense, as in a cattail marsh or dense sedge-meadow. Breeding takes place in lakes, ponds (temporary and permanent), springs, and occasionally backwaters or beaver ponds in streams. In Colorado, eggs hatch in 4-15 days and tadpoles take 8-15 weeks to metamorphose, depending on water temperature (Hammerson 1982a).

Surveying: Both adults, tadpoles, and eggs are easily seen in and along the water during the day and can be sampled with a dipnet; adults may also be captured by hand. At very low densities adults may be difficult to find and may be detected using a call recorder. Tadpoles are difficult to tell from those of the Spotted Frog in areas where the two species may overlap.

Status: Historically, the Northern Leopard Frog was widespread in Montana but it now appears to be extinct throughout much of the western part of the state. It is still common and widespread in the southeastern corner of the state, but it may be declining in central and northeastern Montana. It appears that only localized populations are present on the western edge of the plains. Given the recent declines in this species and the unusual habitat, this record should be treated as hypothetical until verified. Due to its significant decline and lack of current reports from the HNF, all sightings of this species should be documented.

Northern Leopard Frogs are now absent from many other areas in North America where they were common a few decades ago. Widespread extinctions are known from Alberta (Koonz 1993), Wyoming (Koch and Peterson 1995), Colorado (Hammerson 1982b, Corn and Fogelman 1984), Idaho (Groves and Peterson 1992), Washington, and Oregon (Leonard *et al.* 1993). Bullfrog and fish introductions, acid rain, ozone depletion, immune system suppression, and "Postmetamorphic Death Syndrome" have all been suggested as causes for frog extirpations in other areas (Corn and Fogelman 1984, Hammerson 1982b, Carey 1993, Leonard *et al.* 1993).

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G4 S3S4.

Bullfrog (*Rana catesbeiana*)**AAABH01070**

Description: The largest of North American frogs, adult Bullfrogs may reach 8 inches in body length. The skin is smooth. Adults are usually pale to dark green or brownish green with darker spots or blotches. There are a series of black bands across the legs. The underside is cream to yellowish with gray mottling. No dorso-lateral folds are present, however there is a prominent ridge running from the eye over the tympanum to the shoulder. Males have extensive yellow pigment on the underside, especially in the throat region, and swollen thumbs. The diameter of the tympanum is larger than the diameter of the eye in males but about the same size in females.

Eggs and Tadpoles: Egg masses are a 1-2 egg thick film of thousands of eggs and may reach several feet across. Tadpoles may reach 4.5" in total length and are olive green with numerous black spots dorsally; the belly is white to creamy with varying amounts of dark mottling.

Similar species: Other Montana Ranid frogs have dorso-lateral folds.

Habitat and Habits: Bullfrogs are rarely seen far from the water's edge and are usually in the water. They are associated with larger bodies of quiet water such as ponds, lakes or backwaters of streams, usually with extensive emergent vegetation such as cattails or reeds. They emerge in the spring only after air and water temperatures have warmed considerably and insect populations are beginning to proliferate. Breeding takes place in June when males attract females to their territory by a series of very deep, loud "brr-umps." The large egg mass tends to float on the surface when first laid, but sink into the water prior to hatching (Hammerson 1982a, Nussbaum *et al.* 1983). Tadpoles over-winter in the Pacific Northwest, transforming during their second summer (Nussbaum *et al.* 1983, Leonard *et al.* 1993). The bullfrog is a voracious feeder, eating anything smaller than itself, including ducklings, fish, mice, frogs, and small turtles. Bullfrogs have been implicated in extirpations of native frogs and turtles, and declines in waterfowl production (Hammerson 1982b, Leonard *et al.* 1993, Kiesecker and Blaustein 1998).

Surveying: Tadpoles and adults can easily be detected visually or sampled by using a dipnet; both may be found from spring through fall. Capture success of adults is enhanced by night sampling using a headlamp, as they are very wary and do not allow close approach during the day. Eggs are also easy to detect when laid in the early summer.

Status: Bullfrogs are native to the eastern and central U.S. and have been introduced to the western states. It is possible that several unauthorized releases have occurred on private lands, based on conversations with ranchers. They were introduced into western Montana prior to the mid-1960's (Black and Bragg 1968), but the date when they were first brought to **eastern Montana** is unknown. Bullfrogs should be watched for in ponds, lakes, sloughs, or slow streams. Any located should be well documented.

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G5 SE4.

Columbia Spotted Frog (*Rana luteiventris* [= *pretiosa*])

AAABH01290

Description: The adult has a snout-vent length of 2-4". Adults are dark to light brown, gray, or olive green with dark spots (frequently with lighter centers) found on the back, sides and legs. The number and pattern of spotting is quite variable. The back and sides are often covered with small bumps. The underside of the legs is bright red, salmon, or orange; this bright color may extend up to the chin or be replaced by a light, mottled gray on the chin, chest, and/or belly. In younger subadults, bright leg color is often lacking and instead a light, lemon-colored wash is present. In these subadults, there is often a dark mask present, with a light jaw stripe extending to the shoulder; both the mask and jaw stripe may be less obvious in larger, older animals.

Eggs and Tadpoles: Eggs are laid in large, globular masses of 150-500 at the surface of the water. The tadpoles are dark green to brown on top with some gold flecking whereas the underside has an iridescent bronze or silver color. Total length of tadpoles may reach 3"; the eyes are located on top of the head.

Similar species: The bright-colored pigment on the undersides of the adult's legs distinguish this species from all other frogs in Montana. Younger individuals, without colored legs, may usually be distinguished from other frogs by a combination of: 1) dorsal spots usually present but not surrounded by light-colored halos; 2) dorso-lateral folds present; 3) toes without pads at the tips; and 4) a pale gray, (rather than white) belly.

Habitat and Habits: Spotted Frogs are regularly found at the water's edge in openings within forest habitats. Wetlands in or near treeline are also used, but populations are uncommon in the large, open intermountain valleys. Eggs hatch in 2-3 weeks and tadpoles take 2-14 months to metamorphose, depending on water temperature (Nussbaum *et al.* 1983, Turner 1958). Breeding takes place in lakes, ponds (temporary and permanent), springs, and occasionally backwaters or beaver ponds in streams. All the egg masses in a particular pond are often found in the same location at the margin of the pond; therefore, the eggs are susceptible to drying up if pond levels recede substantially before hatching. Young and adult frogs often disperse into marsh and forest habitats but are not usually found far from open water.

Surveying: Adults, tadpoles, and eggs are easily seen in and along the water during the day and can be sampled with a dipnet; adults may also be captured by hand. Many adults may leave the breeding ponds following egg laying and move to nearby feeding areas for the summer. Tadpoles are difficult to distinguish from those of the Northern Leopard Frog in areas where the two species may overlap.

Status: The most common frog in western Montana. The species was previously a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Category 2 Candidate species in Montana; elsewhere in its range it is listed as a C-1, with Threatened/Endangered status warranted, but precluded by work on higher-priority species (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 1993). While significant declines are known from the southern end of the range (Nevada, southern Idaho, Utah) and are also apparent in coastal Washington (McAllister *et al.* 1993), Oregon, and California, recent (as yet unpublished) research indicates that those populations are different species.

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G4 S4.

Short-horned Lizard (*Phrynosoma douglasii*)**ARACF12030**

Description: The Short-horned lizard has a broad, somewhat flattened body and relatively short limbs and tail. It is generally tan to gray with dark and light spots and blotches; the belly is white. There is a distinctive line of pointed scales along each side, and the head has short, blunt "horns" pointing backward. Adult lizards range from 1.7 - 5.5" in length.

Young: Young are live-born and resemble small adults.

Similar species: None.

Habitat and Habits: The Short-horned lizard is found in a variety of habitats, including dry open forests, grasslands, and sagebrush; the soil is usually loose or sandy. In firmer soil situations, it may use the burrows of other animals. It is active during the day, typically with the peak of activity in mid-late morning. A Short-horned Lizard may squirt blood from its eyes when disturbed. Little is known about reproduction in this part of the range; young are born in late summer. Ants are the primary food of the species.

Surveying: They may be surveyed for by slowly walking through appropriate habitat and watching carefully for them; look carefully near ant mounds; this technique has low success with Short-horned Lizards however. As with many lizards and snakes, they are easily missed. Carefully documented incidental observations may provide the best clues to their distribution. They may be also taken in pitfall or funnel traps in combination with drift fences.

Status: The Short-horned Lizard subspecies found in Montana (*P. d. brevirostra*) is currently a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Category 2 Candidate species (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 1994). It is widely distributed (but apparently localized) in eastern Montana. This species may be vulnerable to collecting for the pet trade and agricultural conversion of native habitats. It should be watched for in open pine, prairie, or shrub-steppe habitat with loose or sandy soils; all sightings should be documented.

Montana Natural Heritage Program Rank: G5 S4. A Species of Special Concern.

Sagebrush Lizard (*Sceloporus graciosus*)

ARACF14030

Description: The Sagebrush Lizard is small (1.5 - 2.5" body length) and narrow-bodied.

The color pattern in adults consists of alternating dark and light stripes running down the back. The colors are typically brown, gray, and cream. Males have mottled blue throat patches and bright blue belly patches, while females are white or yellow below (Censky 1986). The body and tail scales appear somewhat spiny.

Eggs and young: There are 2 - 7 tough, leathery, white eggs in a clutch, averaging about 7.5 x 12 mm (Nussbaum *et al.* 1983). Body length of hatchlings is about 25 mm, and coloration is similar to adults.

Similar species: None in Montana. The Short-horned Lizard has a wide body.

Habitat and Habits: Sagebrush Lizards are found primarily in sagebrush areas, but also occur in open forests and brush lands; they are found in both areas of fine soils and rocky outcrops (Hammerson 1982a, Baxter and Stone 1985, Nussbaum *et al.* 1983). In the Yellowstone area, they are found near thermal features (Mueller 1969). They are active during the day, with mid-morning and late-afternoon peaks of activity (Hammerson 1982a). Females lay eggs in loose or sandy soil in early summer and the young hatch in late summer. They feed primarily on insects and other arthropods.

Surveying: They may be surveyed for by slowly walking through appropriate habitat on warm, sunny days and carefully watching for them; this technique is very effective for the Sagebrush Lizard. However, as with many lizards and snakes, they may be overlooked if conditions are not correct. Carefully documented incidental observations provide excellent clues to their distribution. They may be captured with a pole and noose or may be also taken in funnel traps with drift fences. Adults and juveniles have been captured inadvertently in pitfall can traps set for shrews (P. Hendricks, pers. observ.). Mark-recapture methods offer the best opportunity for determining population status.

Status: The Sagebrush Lizard was a former U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Category 2 Candidate species (USFWS 1994). It is apparently locally common in southern Montana, from Yellowstone Park eastward to at least Chalk Butte in Carter County. They are known from the western border of South Dakota south of Harding County (C. R. Peterson pers. comm., Stukel and Backlund 1997), and two disjunct populations are known from the western edge of North Dakota (Censky 1986). This species should be watched for, and any animals located should be documented.

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G5 S4.

Painted Turtle (*Chrysemys picta*)**ARAAD01010**

Description: Adult Painted Turtles have a relatively flat dorsal shell, or carapace, the length of which may reach 9" in females and 7" in males. The background color of the shell may be dark brown, olive, or black. A series of short, irregular yellow lines are often scattered across the shell, and a red and black border forms the outer edge. The ventral shell, or plastron, is red with a centrally-located yellow and black blotch with edges flaring out along the border of the scutes. The edge of the plastron also has a series of black and yellow blotches. The head, neck, and legs are marked with yellow lines and a red spot appears behind the eye. Very dark colored individuals are occasionally found. Males are distinguished by longer front claws and longer tails with the anus posterior to the margin of the carapace (Ernst *et al.* 1994).

Eggs and Young: The elliptical, white, soft-shelled eggs are about 28-35 mm in length and 16-23 mm in width (Ernst *et al.* 1994). They typically number 6-23 per clutch. Coloration of young Painted Turtles is more vibrant and the shell is not quite as flattened as adults.

Similar Species: None.

Habitat and Habits: Painted Turtles are active during the day and are rarely seen far from ponds, lakes, or the slow-moving water of streams. Adults are primarily herbivorous, feeding on a variety of aquatic plants, but will also scavenge on animal remains. Eggs are usually laid within 10-20 feet of the water's edge, although some individuals will travel up to 600 m seeking a suitable site. During egg-laying, the female excavates a hole with her hind feet and deposits the eggs, which are then covered by several inches of dirt. Predation on turtle eggs by raccoons, skunks, etc. is common, and shell fragments are evidence of such activity. Female Painted Turtles may lay more than one clutch of eggs each summer. Young borne of late egg depositions overwinter in the nest and do not emerge until the following spring (Ernst *et al.* 1994). Once females lay their eggs, they return to the pond, where they can often be seen basking on logs or rocks along with juveniles and males. Painted Turtles are sexually mature at 3-5 years of age and may live to be 30 years or older (Ernst *et al.* 1994).

Surveying: Although various turtle traps can be used for surveys, visual identification is suitable for presence/absence studies since the three turtle species in Montana are easily distinguished. Basking peaks at different times during the day, depending on season and location; in the northern states and Canada it generally peaks in the morning. Surveys should be done on sunny days with a pair of binoculars. During cold or cloudy weather, turtles tend to remain underwater for long periods and can be missed on a walk-through survey.

Status: Painted Turtles are locally quite common in Montana at lower elevations. They are known from lower elevation areas on the plains; any sightings should be documented. There has been some concern about Painted Turtle populations nationally; whether declines have occurred in Montana is unknown

Montana Natural Heritage Program Rank: G5 S5.

Spiny Softshell (*Trionyx spiniferus*) (= *Apalone spinifera*)

ARAAG01030

Description: Spiny Soft-shells have flexible, leathery shells. The carapace is olive-gray, marked with dark spots. The plastron is white or light cream-colored. Female carapace length is up to 18 inches or more, whereas males are typically 6-8 inches. The nostrils are terminal, allowing this turtle to remain entirely beneath the surface and take air through its "snorkel".

Eggs and Young: The nest is a flask-shaped excavation containing 4-39 (typically 12-18) hard-shelled, spherical, white eggs. The individual eggs range in size from 24-32 mm in diameter and average about 28 mm. Hatchlings resemble adults and are 30-40 mm in shell length (Ernst *et al.* 1994).

Similar Species: None.

Habits and Habitat: Spiny Softshells are active during the day. This highly aquatic turtle is found in rivers or their connecting backwaters with muddy or sandy bottoms. Unlike other Montana turtles, they do not move overland from one water body to another. Mud and sand banks and bars are used for both basking and nesting. Hibernation takes place beneath the water, usually beneath 5-10 cm of bottom substrate (Ernst *et al.* 1994). The retracted head and neck combines with the profile of the shell to produce a wedge shape, which allows this turtle to escape by literally diving into the bottom mud. If necessary, additional strokes of the legs will completely bury it in the substrate, hidden from view. Food items include fish, crayfish, frogs, toads, aquatic insects, and carrion. Spiny Soft-shells have a surprisingly long, agile neck and can inflict a painful bite. They can be safely handled by grasping the shell on each side between the front and rear legs with the head pointing away from the captor.

Surveying: Although various turtle traps can be used for surveys, visual identification is suitable since the three turtle species in Montana are easily distinguished. A pair of binoculars is helpful and surveys should be done on warm sunny days; basking seldom takes place before 10:00 a.m. (Ernst *et al.* 1994). During cold or cloudy weather, turtles tend to remain underwater for long periods and can be missed on a walk-through survey. Care should be taken to watch for the snorkel-like nostrils projecting just above the surface of the water.

Status and Distribution: Found mainly in the Yellowstone and Missouri Rivers and their major tributaries. These populations may be separated from each other and are believed to be disjunct from the population in South Dakota (Ernst *et al.* 1994); they have not been reported from North Dakota (Wheeler and Wheeler 1966). The Missouri River population is known from the tail of Fort Peck Reservoir upstream to the first dam above, and from most of the Mussellshell River; their presence on other tributaries is presently unknown. Considered a Species of Special Concern in Montana.

Montana Natural Heritage Program Rank: G5 S3. Species of Special Concern.

Common Snapping Turtle (*Chelydra serpentina*)**ARAAB01010**

Description: The Common Snapping Turtle appears too large for its shell. The upper shell is olive-gray, or brown to black with the posterior edge very serrated; it has three low keels with protrusions positioned on each scute (a scale-like plate on the shell). The much-reduced lower shell is cream-colored. A long, keeled tail and warty tubercles on the head and neck are distinguishing characteristics. Males average about 10-20% larger than females, and have the anal opening posterior to the rim of the upper shell (Ernst *et al.* 1994). Most adults range from 13-30 pounds in Montana; the largest known Montana specimen was a 47-pound male (Reichel and Flath 1995).

Eggs and Young: The spherical, white, tough-shelled eggs are about 23-33 mm in diameter (Ernst *et al.* 1994). They typically number 20-40 per clutch (Ernst *et al.* 1994). Coloration of young turtles is similar to adults and the upper shell is 24-31 mm long.

Similar Species: None.

Habits and Habitat: Snapping turtles occur in stock ponds, reservoirs, sloughs and backwaters, rivers, irrigation ditches, and slower-moving streams, such as Otter Creek in Powder River County (Hendricks and Reichel 1996). They prefer waters with a soft mud or sand bottom, and much aquatic vegetation or debris (Ernst *et al.* 1994). They do occasionally move overland, but are found doing so less frequently than Painted Turtles. Food is mostly animal matter. In the north it is most active in the morning and evening (Ernst *et al.* 1994). Adult females first breed at 12-19 years of age in Michigan and Ontario (Ernst *et al.* 1994). Eggs are laid in nests excavated in sandy or gravelly areas or muskrat houses in late spring or early summer. Sex is determined by the temperature of incubation (Ernst *et al.* 1994). Hibernation is in soft bottoms, under cut-banks, or among submerged roots. Snapping Turtles have a reputation for an evil temper, and are quick to bite. They may be handled safely if carried by the tail with the upper shell away from the captor.

Surveying: Although various turtle traps can be used for surveys, visual identification is suitable for presence/absence studies since the three turtle species in Montana are easily distinguished. Surveys should be done on sunny days with a pair of binoculars. During cold or cloudy weather, turtles tend to remain underwater for long periods and can be missed on a walk-through survey.

Status and Distribution: Common Snapping Turtles occur in the Yellowstone River downstream from Billings, the Missouri River downstream from Ft. Benton, and probably all tributaries (such as the Tongue River) with suitable water. There are no records downstream from Ft. Peck Dam. They also occur in water bodies that can be reached by a short trek across land. Eastern Montana records are few, widely scattered, but mostly concentrated in the coal country of Rosebud and Powder River counties. Concentrated unregulated harvest could be detrimental to local populations. It is probably more abundant and widespread in eastern Montana than records indicate. All sitings should be documented.

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G5 S3. Species of Special Concern, BLM Special Status Species.

Rubber Boa (*Charina bottae*)**ARADA01010**

Description: The Rubber Boa looks and feels like rubber, hence its name. It is a small snake (14-33" length), stout, and uniformly-colored either brown or green on the dorsal side. The ventral surface is cream to tan in color. The scales are small and smooth, except for those on the head which are enlarged. The tail is short and blunt and the eyes are very small. It is a very slow moving snake which can easily be caught if detected.

Young: Rubber Boas are born alive and young are more tan (or even pinkish) than the adults on both the dorsal and ventral surfaces.

Similar species: The Racer is much quicker and more active, has larger eyes, and a thin, tapered (not blunt) tail.

Habitat and Habits: The Rubber Boa is a secretive, slow-moving, docile snake, usually found under logs and rocks in either moist or dry forest habitats, but rarely in marsh or bog situations. Denning locations are typically in areas with fractured rock on south facing slopes; recent data indicates it rarely moves more than a short distances from its den (C. Peterson pers. comm). Occasionally this snake is seen sunning itself on a road, trail, or open area, but it is primarily nocturnal. Feeding is primarily on small mice, but also on shrews, salamanders, snakes and lizards. Two to eight young are born alive in late summer or early fall.

Surveying: There are no practical methods for surveying other than systematic searches of a given area rolling over rocks, logs, etc. Driving roads at night, particularly after a rain when the temperature is $> 50^{\circ}$ F, may be more effective, especially on roads which follow a stream. Previous sightings are of value in locating general areas of activity and denning sites. Funnel traps may be effective.

Status: Sightings of Rubber Boas are infrequent, but they are widely distributed and probably common throughout western Montana at low to mid-elevations. Of particular interest would be any documentation of denning sites.

Montana Natural Heritage Program Rank: G5 S4.

Racer (*Coluber constrictor*)

ARADB07010

Description: A slender, but moderately long snake, the Racer ranges from 20-65 inches in length. Adult coloration is uniform across the dorsal side but it can vary from a greenish-gray to brown or blue. The ventral side is whitish to pale yellow, the latter color extending onto the upper lip scales and nasal region. The eyes are relatively large. The scales are smooth and the nostril is bordered by two scales.

Young: Snakes (up to about 20") have a much different coloration than the adults consisting of a series of dorsal brown blotches edged with black which run the length of the animal; a row of blotches is also found on each side of the animal extending onto the ventral side.

Similar species: Young Gopher Snakes may be distinguished by the keeled rather than smooth scales of the young Racer. Young Western Hognose Snakes have an upturned nose. Smooth Green Snakes are smaller and colored bright grass-green and whitish below; their nostrils are centered in single scales. Also see Rubber Boa.

Habitat and Habits: The Racer is associated with open habitats, in shortgrass, shrub-steppe, or forested areas (Hammerson 1982a, Baxter and Stone 1985). It is often found near water and rocks. The Racer is an extremely fast and agile snake. A clutch of perhaps 3-7 eggs is laid in the summer (Stebbins 1985). It preys on insects and small vertebrates such as mice and frogs.

Surveying: They may be surveyed for by slowly walking through appropriate habitat on warm, sunny days and carefully watching for them; this technique is moderately effective for the Racer. However, as with many lizards and snakes, they may easily be missed. Carefully documented incidental observations may provide the best clues to their distribution. They may be also taken in funnel traps with drift fences. Mark-recapture methods offer the best opportunity for determining population status.

Status: The Racer can be expected at low to mid-elevations across Montana. Any sightings should be documented. Of particular interest would be documentation of any den sites.

Montana Natural Heritage Program Rank: G5 S5.

Milk Snake (*Lampropeltis triangulum*)

ARADB19050

Description: The Milk Snake is a slender and medium-sized snake (to 42 inches in length or more), with smooth scales. It has a Highly recognizable series of red to orange saddles or rings that are bordered by black bands and separated by white or yellow bands. Width of dark and light bands can vary markedly. The subspecies in Montana (*L. t. gentilis*) tends to be paler, with orange bands replacing red, and a light belly with few or no black spots.

Similar species: None in Montana.

Habitat and Habits: Little is known of Milk Snakes in Montana because only a few have been reported. In Wyoming and elsewhere they are usually found near cliffs, talus, outcrops, and rocky hillsides in forested and open country (Baxter and Stone 1985). They can be found in or under rotten logs. Milk Snakes are secretive and most active at night. They eat a variety of vertebrates, including other snakes, lizards, eggs, small mammals, and sometimes invertebrates such as earthworms and insects. Eggs are laid in mid-summer. Milk Snakes sometimes vibrate their tails when disturbed. Their name stems from an old tale alleging that these snakes milk cows.

Surveying: Timed site surveys can be conducted around cliff bases and outcrops. Nocturnal surveys may be the most productive. Most distribution information will likely come from recording incidental sightings. More intensive research may be done using funnel traps in combination with drift fences. The most intensive research and survey projects may use mark-recapture or radio-telemetry techniques.

Status: Milk Snakes are very rare and local in Montana. The majority of records are clustered at only a few sites in Montana, such as near Bridger in Carbon County, and Billings in Yellowstone County. The subspecies found in Montana is highly sought for the pet trade. All records of Milk Snakes should be fully documented. Of special interest would be documented denning sites.

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G5 S2. Species of Special Concern.

Gopher Snake (*Pituophis catenifer* [=melanoleucus])

ARADB26010

Description: Montana's largest snake, the adult Gopher Snake (also called Bullsnae or Pine Snake) can reach a total length of 7 feet, but most specimens seen in western Montana range between 3-5 feet. It is readily recognized by a series of large black to brown blotches which run down the back, and another series along the sides. The blotches, which are set on a yellow background, become more widely spaced and darker towards the tail. The dorsal scales are keeled. There is usually a black band on the head located in front of and extending below the eyes. The ventral coloration is yellow to white, often spotted with black, and the anal plate is undivided.

Eggs and Young: Gopher Snakes lay between 2-24 eggs during the summer months (Hammerson 1982a). The young resemble adults in coloration.

Similar species: Young Racers have a black border on dark blotches and the scales are not keeled. Young Western Hognose Snakes have an upturned nose.

Western Rattlesnakes have a rattle on their tail and triangular shaped heads.

Habitat and Habits: Gopher Snakes are associated with dry, arid habitats including grassland, shrub-steppe, and open pine forest. They feed on rodents, rabbits and ground dwelling birds, and to a lesser extent on frogs, toads, etc., found around stock ponds and other wetlands. They have a habit of hissing and vibrating the tail when alarmed, often sounding like rattlesnakes. They occasionally climb trees, hence the common name "Pine Snake."

Surveying: Walk-through surveys, done on a regular basis in warm, sunny weather probably give the best results without resorting to trapping techniques. They are most easily found near dens in the spring and fall. Funnel trapping is effective and they may occasionally be found by night driving during the mid-summer.

Data can be enhanced by mark-recapture techniques.

Status: Documentation of any denning sites would be of particular interest.

Montana Natural Heritage Program Rank: G5 S5.

Western Rattlesnake (*Crotalus viridis*)**ARADE02120**

Description: Rattlesnakes have a heat-sensing pit located between the nostril and the eye. The fangs are hollow and hinged, allowing them to be folded back against the roof of the mouth. The head is triangular in shape and blunt-nosed. The eyes are slightly elevated. There are several white lines which run along the side of the head. Adult Western Rattlesnakes have a narrow neck but a stout body with total length ranging from 15-60 inches. The dorsal background color varies from pale green to brown with a series of brown or black blotches edged with a dark and then light line extending the length of the body. The blotches often merge into rings on the tail. There are also blotches on the sides of the body. The ventral side is pale yellow to white and without blotches. The scales are keeled. The tail ends in a rattle which helps to warn potential predators of the snake's presence. The young have the same color pattern, but are brighter in color than adults.

Similar species: No other snake in Montana has rattles, but see Racer, Gopher Snake and Western Hognose Snake which may have similar color patterns.

Habitat and Habits: The Western Rattlesnake is an inhabitant of more open and arid country but it is also found in Ponderosa pine stands or mixed grass-coniferous forests. It is more likely to be encountered on south-facing slopes and areas of rock outcrops. It is feared and often needlessly killed due to its poisonous bite. Rattlesnakes may den in large numbers, moving up to 7 miles out from the dens during the summer (C. Peterson, pers. comm.); den sites are most common in south-facing talus slopes. In Wyoming, it is found up to elevations of over 8,500 feet (Baxter and Stone 1985). Rattlesnakes prey on a variety of animals including mice, ground squirrels, rabbits, amphibians, and other snakes. In Colorado, females give birth to 4-21 young during the summer (Hammerson 1982a).

Surveying: A walk-through survey on a warm sunny day is probably the best method for determining presence/absence; it is easiest to find near den sites in spring and fall. Funnel traps and night driving are both effective techniques. Mark-recapture methods can be used to determine more precise numbers.

Status: The Western Rattlesnake is most likely be encountered at lower elevations in open habitats. The habit of denning at traditional sites in large numbers makes rattlesnakes vulnerable to commercial collecting or simply killing by fearful people. Observations of Western Rattlesnakes should be reported to document the presence of this species; of particular interest would be documentation of any denning sites.

Montana Natural Heritage Program Rank: G5 S4.

Common Garter Snake (*Thamnophis sirtalis*)**ARADB36130**

Description: The Common Garter Snake consists of two color phases in western Montana, both ranging from 18-52" in length. Both phases have three yellow longitudinal stripes: one located dorsally and one on each side on the 2nd and 3rd scale rows above the belly scales. Between the yellow stripes is a black (or dark green) background, broken with red spots in one color phase but lacking red in the other. Ventral coloration varies from yellow to bluish, and some individuals of the red-sided color phase have small black spots on the edge of the ventral scales. The dorsal scales are keeled, and normally there are 7 upper labial scales.

Young: The coloration of young snakes is similar to that of the adults; young are live-born.

Similar species: The Western Terrestrial Garter Snake has black spots overlapping the dorsal yellow stripe; the background color between stripes tends to be paler dusky green, gray or brown. The Plains Garter Snake has the side yellow stripe on the 3rd and 4th scale rows above the belly scales and the dorsal stripe is often orange or red.

Habitat and Habits: Garter snakes are found in all forest habitats but are more common at lower elevations around marsh-bog-pond situations, where they prey on young fish, frogs, toads, mice and invertebrates. They are sometimes confused with water snakes because of their frequent aquatic exploits, but there are no true water snakes in Montana. Typical of most garter snakes, they emit a noxious secretion when handled and can be aggressive when disturbed. Historically they have been found at low elevations in the intermountain valleys as well as elevations up to 5,600 feet. Garter snakes eat a variety of vertebrates and invertebrates, with the Common Garter Snake concentrating more on amphibians than the Western Terrestrial Garter Snake. **Young:** The Common Garter Snake is a livebearer, giving birth to 12-18 young during the summer in Colorado (Hammerson 1982a).

Surveying: Timed-sight surveys may be conducted around wetlands and riparian feeding areas or at denning areas where higher concentrations of garter snakes occur; clear mornings are the best survey times. Much distributional information may come from recording incidental sightings. More intensive research and survey projects may use funnel traps in combination with drift fences, or mark-recapture or radiotelemetry techniques.

Status: Given the small number of records from throughout the area, all records should be documented until the distribution is better understood; of particular interest would be documentation of denning sites.

Montana Natural Heritage Program Rank: G5 S4.

Western Terrestrial Garter Snake (*Thamnophis elegans*)

ARADB36050

Description: Adult Western Terrestrial (or Wandering) Garter Snakes are smaller than the Common Garter Snake, their length varying from 18-43". Three yellow longitudinal stripes are present (one dorsal, two lateral on the 2nd and 3rd scale rows), but the dorsal stripe is much narrower than that of the Common Garter Snake. A distinctive feature of the Western Terrestrial Garter Snake is a series of alternating black spots which run the length of the body between, and somewhat on, the yellow stripes. The background color between the stripes is a dusky gray, green or brown. compared to the black or occasionally dark green found in the Common Garter Snake. The ventral surface has a series of dark black/brown blotches that may cover most of the surface. All black, presumably melanistic, individuals are occasionally found near Townsend, Montana. The dorsal scales are keeled and there are normally 8 upper labial scales.

Young: The coloration of young snakes is similar to that of the adults; young are live-born. Females give birth to 4-19 young during the summer (Stebbins 1985).

Similar species: See Common Garter Snake.

Habitat and Habits: The habitat and habits of the Western Terrestrial Garter Snake are similar to the Common Garter Snake, i.e., they are found in most habitats but are particularly common around wetlands.

Surveying: Timed sight surveys may be conducted around wetlands and riparian feeding areas or at denning areas where higher concentrations of garter snakes occur; clear mornings are the best survey times. Much distributional information may come from recording incidental sightings. More intensive research and survey projects may use funnel traps in combination with drift fences, or mark-recapture or radiotelemetry techniques.

Status: Given the small number of recent records from throughout the area, all records should be documented until the distribution is better understood; of particular interest would be documentation of denning sites.

Montana Natural Heritage Program Rank: G5 S5.

Plains Garter Snake (*Thamnophis radix*)

ARADB36100

Description: The Plains Garter Snake ranges from 16-42" in length and has a dorsal background color of olive, brown, or black. It has a prominent orange or yellow dorsal stripe and a greenish-yellow stripe on each side located on the 3rd and 4th scale rows above the belly scales. It typically has black vertical bars on the upper lips.

Young: Young are live-born and resemble adults.

Similar species: The other garter snakes found in Montana have the lateral yellow lines on the 2nd and 3rd scale rows above the belly scales.

Habitat and Habits: Plains Garter Snakes are found in prairie habitats but are most common around wetland areas, where they feed around permanent and semi-permanent water bodies. In 1998, as many as 22 individuals, both adults (80-85 cm total length) and juveniles (30-40 cm total length) were seen within a 400 m stretch of shoreline at a single site (Blackfoot Reservoir, Carter County); most were sunning in or near shallow water around the reservoir with little emergent vegetation present. Fish, frogs, toads, mice and invertebrates are the most common food items in the diet of the Plains Garter Snake (Hammerson 1982a, Baxter and Stone 1985). Typical of most garter snakes, they emit a noxious secretion when handled and can be aggressive when disturbed. The Plains Garter Snake is a live-bearer, giving birth to 9-21 young during mid- to late-summer in Colorado (Hammerson 1982a). In 1998, this species was documented during surveys between 28 April and 24 July.

Surveying: Timed sight surveys may be conducted around wetlands and riparian feeding areas or at denning areas where higher concentrations of garter snakes occur; clear mornings may be the best survey times. Much distribution information may come from recording incidental sightings. More intensive research may be done using funnel traps in combination with drift fences. More intensive research and survey projects may use mark-recapture or radiotelemetry techniques.

Status: This species is found over much of eastern Montana, particularly in the far eastern and north-central portions of the state. It is the most common garter snake in eastern Montana. Former status is unclear due to confusion in the identification of the 3 garter snakes that occur in the plains region. It should be watched for and any sightings should be documented with a description written at the time of observation, including how *T. radix* was distinguished from the other garter snakes. Of particular interest would be documentation of any denning sites located.

Montana Natural Heritage Program rank: G5 S4.

Potential Species:

Wood Frog (*Rana sylvatica*)

This species is not yet known to occur in Montana, although there are a couple of non-breeding records from inappropriate habitat that are considered as introductions. The species might occur in eastern Montana in the Big Horn Mountains of Big Horn County. Wood Frogs have been documented from the Wyoming portion of the mountain range (Dunlap 1977). Wood Frogs are found near water in forested habitats, especially in small natural ponds and sometimes in backwaters and beaver ponds. It is unlikely to be documented on lands under BLM stewardship in eastern Montana. Adults have a prominent black facial mask extending from the snout to behind the external ear drum. There may be some spotting on the back, and the belly is white to cream-colored.

Rank: G5 S2. A Species of Special Concern.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1) Incidental sightings of amphibians and reptiles from the Lewistown District should be recorded and forwarded to the Natural Heritage Program. Of particular interest are all observations and locations of breeding amphibians (tadpoles and/or eggs) and all reptiles. Use Reichel and Flath (1995) as an identification aid. Vouchers of amphibian tadpoles can be sent to the Natural Heritage program for identification. The Natural Heritage website has an online form for submitting herp observation data at <http://nris.mt.gov/mtnhp/index.html>.

2) Due to the time constraints and the large area covered in this survey, it should not be regarded as a definitive index of all the amphibians and reptiles or their presence on the surveyed area. The secretive habits of many amphibians and reptiles, and our lack of knowledge regarding their reproductive behavior make it difficult to assess their overall status. We recommend that additional surveys be conducted.

3) When a more complete picture of breeding locations for amphibians are identified in the area, long-term monitoring of typical marsh-pond habitats should be set up at several sites in order to evaluate relative numbers and breeding success of the more common species: Tiger Salamander, Western Chorus Frog, Woodhouse's Toad, Northern Leopard Frog, Plains Garter Snake, and Common Garter Snake. Particular attention needs to be given to any toad and Northern Leopard Frog breeding sites found. Life history and ecology of the amphibians in Montana is poorly known for most species. Long-term monitoring will give us information on timing of breeding and habitat requirements needed for successful reproduction.

4) Recent studies have examined amphibians' use of the terrestrial area surrounding wetland areas. The aim of those studies is to establish baseline data for determining appropriate buffer distances from wetland edges for protection of amphibians. Using data from six salamander species, Semlitsch (1998) found the mean distance that adult salamanders were found away from aquatic habitats was 125 meters. Although studies have not been conducted for species occurring in Montana, it is becoming increasingly apparent that protecting terrestrial buffers around wetlands are important in conserving biological diversity (Semlitsch 1998).

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MT970004	Blaine	025N017E	11	NWSW	PSTR, RAPI	5	22	1997	1620	60	3425	1280	Y	Sand Ck trib., pond	dip net
MT970002	Blaine	025N018E	15	NESE	PSTR	5	22	1997	1500	10	3460	700	Y	Roadside ditch	Dip net, Hand collected. MTHP - 2181
MT970095	Blaine	025N019E	10	SWSW	AMTI, PSTR	6	20	1997	1635	45	3405	2400	Y	Pond 1 mi SE of Bear Paw Springs	
MT970096	Blaine	025N019E	14	NENE	PSTR, RAPI	6	20	1997	1735	40	3311	24000	Y	Pond off Christenson Branch of Bullwacker Coulee	
MT970104	Blaine	025N020E	2	N2	PSTR	6	21	1997	1315	50	3220	35000	Y	Butch Reservoir	
MT980056	Blaine	025N020E	2	NW	PSTR	5	25	1998	1420	70	3264	37200	Y	Butch Reservoir, 12 mi N of Missouri River	F0970;S0970
MT970097	Blaine	025N020E	6	SENW	PSTR	6	20	1997	1855	35	3342	11700	Y	Bud Reservoir	
MT970106	Blaine	025N021E	3	NESE	AMTI, PSTR	6	21	1997	1650		3235		Y	Pond on ridge W of Hay Coulee	
MT970103	Blaine	025N021E	5		PSTR, THRA	6	21	1997	1430	40	2800	2400	Y	Cow Creek crossing reservoir	
MT970100	Blaine	026N020E	20	SWNE	PSTR	6	21	1997	910	50	3463	30000	Y	Blanch Reservoir	
MT970101	Blaine	026N020E	20	NW	PSTR	6	21	1997	1025		3490	1200	Y	Pond 0.3 mi NE of Blanch Reservoir	
MT970099	Blaine	026N020E	32	NESW	PSTR	6	20	1997	1945	20	3200	1500	Y	Flooded area on Bullwacker Creek	
MT970098	Blaine	026N020E	33	NENW	PSTR	6	20	1997	2025	45	3398	48000	Y	Brush Shack Reservoir	
MT970102	Blaine	026N020E	34	SW	PSTR, THRA	6	21	1997	1150	45	3376	52500	Y	Right Coulee Reservoir	
MT980057	Blaine	026N020E	34	SW	PSTR	5	25	1998	1555	45	3231	17100	Y	Reservoir, 12 mi N of Missouri River	F0971;S0971
MT980054	Blaine	026N021E	23	NW	BUWO, PSTR	5	25	1998	1130	60	2854	15750	Y	Cow Creek, 14 mi N of Missouri River	F0968;S0968
MT970105	Blaine	026N021E	34	NWSE	PSTR, THRA	6	21	1997	1605	30	3240	5400	Y	Pond at NW end of Hay Coulee	
MT950302	Blaine	033N020E	2	SESE	PSTR	7	1	1995	825	5	2640	4000	Y	Pond 33	
MT950264	Blaine	033N020E	12	NENW	PSTR	7	1	1995	810	10	2620	8000	Y	Pond 27	
MT950265	Blaine	033N021E	7	NW	PSTR	7	1	1995	655	5	2610	8000	Y	Pond 28	
MT950306	Blaine	033N021E	7	SE	PSTR	7	1	1995	704	6	2580	4000	Y	Pond 32	
MT950261	Blaine	034N020E	9	SENE	PSTR	7	1	1995	1840	5	2780	8000	Y	Pond 2	
MT950285	Blaine	034N020E	9	S	PSTR	7	1	1995	1825	5	2780	80000	Y	Pond 1	
MT950257	Blaine	034N020E	10	NENE	PSTR	7	1	1995	1920	5	2820	20000	Y	Pond 7	
MT950259	Blaine	034N020E	10	SESW	PSTR	7	1	1995	1815	5	2780	20000	Y	Pond 1A	
MT950269	Blaine	034N020E	11	SEE	PSTR, THRA	7	1	1995	1950	15	2810	40000	Y	Ponds 9 & 10	
MT950274	Blaine	034N020E	13	SESE	PSTR	7	1	1995	1155	5	2720	4000	Y	Pond 19	
MT950295	Blaine	034N020E	14	M	PSTR	7	1	1995	1706	12	2760	8000	Y	Pond 14	
MT950297	Blaine	034N020E	14	NWSW	PSTR	7	1	1995	1730	7	2775	12000	Y	Pond 13	

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MT950282	Blaine	034N020E	24	M	PSTR	7	1	1995	1040	15	2740	480000	Y	Tule Lake (pond 15)	
MT950289	Blaine	034N021E	8	M	AMTI, PSTR	7	1	1995	1340	16	2760	160000	Y	Pond 22	
MT950266	Blaine	034N021E	17	E	PSTR	7	1	1995	1325	5		20000	Y	Pond 24	
MT950271	Blaine	034N021E	18		AMTI, PSTR	7	1	1995	1335	20	2716	280000	Y	Pond 20-Fifteen Mile Creek Reservoir	
MT950287	Blaine	034N021E	19	NENE	PSTR	7	1	1995	1220	15	2750	16000	Y	Pond 21	
MT950291	Blaine	034N021E	20	NE	PSTR	7	1	1995	1303	7	2760	4000	Y	Pond 23	
MT950279	Blaine	034N021E	30	NWNW	PSTR	7	1	1995	1030	5	2690	4000	Y	Pond 16	
MT950310	Blaine	034N021E	31	SWSW	PSTR	7	1	1995	1005	25	2650	32000	Y	Pond 31	
MT960034	Blaine	034N025E	24	NW	PSTR	7	10	1996	1730	35		2040000	Y	Black Coulee NWR	
MT960221	Blaine	035N017E	10	SE	PSTR	6	4	1996	1000	45		218122	Y	Ca. 20 mi NE of Havre	100+ PSTR, 20 sweeps.
MT960028	Blaine	035N018E	6	S2	PSTR, THRA	6	4	1996	1915	30		1280000	Y	McLaren Reservoir, Holm WPA	
MT960201	Blaine	035N018E	24	SW	PSTR	6	4	1996	1735	40		2103912	Y	North Chinook Reservoir	
MT970091	Blaine	035N019E	6	NW	PSTR, THRA	6	21	1997	1000	30	2600	10000	Y	Stock reservoir at road side	
MT960027	Blaine	036N018E	31	S2	PSTR	6	4	1996	1950	20		200000	Y	Holm Reservoir, Holm WPA	
MT970092	Blaine	037N018E	33	NW	PSTR	6	21	1997	820	10	2700	400	Y	Upper Reservoir ca 2 mi NE of Battle Creek	Baird's sparrow also observed
MT970093	Blaine	037N018E	33	SW	PSTR	6	20	1997	1935	15	2680	100000	Y	Lower Reservoir ca 2 mi NE of Battle Creek	Baird's sparrow also observed
MT970084	Blaine	037N025E	14	NW	PSTR	6	22	1997	920	15	2960	60000	Y	Pothole (enhanced)	Baird's Sparrow also observed.
MT970085	Blaine	037N025E	26	NW	PSTR	6	22	1997	755	20	2950	40000	Y	Small "enhanced" wetland, sedge pothole	Baird's Sparrow also observed.
MT970083	Blaine	037N026E	26	SE	AMTI, PSTR	6	22	1997	1130	30	2900	60000	Y	Pothole (enhanced)	Baird's Sparrow also observed.
MT950229	Cascade		0		RALU	6	22	1995	1345	35	7360		Y	Harley Park	UTM: 5197150N 511900E
MT950230	Cascade		0		RALU	6	22	1995	1115	60	7070		Y	O'Brien Cr. headwaters/Lone Tree Park	UTM 5191750N 518080E
MT950548	Cascade	013N008E	0		RALU	7	26	1995	1230	30	7100		Y	Beaver ponds at head of Belt Creek.	
MT980156	Cascade	013N008E	27	S2	RALU	5	28	1998	1430	60	7120	8000	Y	Headwaters of Belt Creek	
MT980155	Cascade	014N007E	33	SW	RALU	5	28	1998	1600	45	7360	8000	Y	Harley Park	
MT960376	Choteau	021N011E	17	MWNE	AMTI, PSTR	6	3	1996	1145	15	3200		Y	Pond just NE of Kingsbury Lake, Kingsbury WPA	
MT960377	Choteau	021N011E	17	+	PSTR	6	3	1996	1000	420	3180	5569342	Y	Kingsbury Lake, Kingsbury WPA	
MT960382	Choteau	021N011E	18	SE	AMTI	6	3	1996	1415	6	3220		Y	NW pond of Kingsbury Lake	
MT980161	Choteau	024N009W	9	SE	BUBO	6	30	1998	1230	60	6000	150	Y	Green Gulch, S Fork Teton R (on Rd 3308, ca 1 mi out)	
MT950219	Choteau	026N012E	13		BUWO	6	12	1995	1415	5	2715		Y	1 mi up river, Rattlesnake Coulee.	

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MT960375	Choteau	029N012E	19		PSTR	6	2	1996	1420	95		2961280	Y	Lonesome Lake	10 adults, 9 larvae observed.
MT960404	Fergus	011N016E	20	SESW	PSTR, RAPI	6	17	1996	1335	55	4610	53058	Y	1.2 mi NNE of Judith Gap	
MT950389	Fergus	019N021E	14	SE	RAPI	7	14	1995	1210	8		4000	Y	Pond 7	
MT950380	Fergus	019N021E	28	SWNE	PSTR	7	14	1995	1515	15		4000	Y	Pond 9	
MT960423	Fergus	020N026E	29	SE	SPBO	6	19	1996	1730	60	2732	95173	Y	Buffalo Wallow Reservoir	
MT960078	Fergus	021N024E	8	NE	PSTR	6	14	1996	1105	50	2887	8800	Y	CMR NWR - Res. pond off Sand Ck Trail (Rd 210) ca. 4 mi E Hwy 191	
MT980103	Garfield	013N030E	20	NE	BUCO, RAPI	6	24	1998	1600	75	2608	5400	Y	Musselshell R tributary on Cnty Rd 500 (Melstone Rd) 8 mi S of Mosby	F1013;S1013
MT950125	Glacier	033N010W	35	SENE	PSTR	5	19	1995	1115	45	4140		Y	Blackfoot Gravel Pit Ponds; along Hwy 2 across from Blackfoot townsite	LAT 483426N LONG 1125154W
MT970007	Hill				PSTR, RAPI	5	21	1997	1615	60		6250	Y	Milk R, along old channel of	
MT950252	Hill	031N014E	16	N2	RAPI	6	30	1995	1635	16	2400		Y	Sandy River	
MT960203	Hill	032N015E	14	NW	PSTR	6	3	1996	1900	25		977233	Y	Halfway Lake WPA. (also called Sands WPA.)	Also SW4 11 and E2 15.
MT960231	Hill	033N013E	4	SW	PSTR	6	2	1996	1620	55		239129	Y	Eastern-most Chain-of-Lakes	10+; 20 sweeps.
MT960205	Hill	033N013E	5	NE	PSTR	6	2	1996	1715	35		425550	Y	Middle Chain-of-Lakes merged with West Chain of Lakes	
MT970001	Hill	034N012E	3	NESE	PSTR	5	21	1997	1045	60		105	Y	Chain of Lakes pond	
MT960227	Hill	034N012E	14	NE	PSTR	6	2	1996	1855	30		173438	Y	Lake at N end of Chain-of- Lakes Coulee	
MT960229	Hill	034N012E	24	SE	PSTR	6	2	1996	1810	20		110078	Y	Ca. 7.5 mi N of Kremlin	10 tadpoles captured in 20 sweeps; tadpole total length = 1.0 - 2.5 cm. Also in NE sec 25
MT970008	Hill	034N012E	25	NWNE	PSTR	5	21	1997	1045			1050	Y	Chain of Lakes Coulee pond	
MT970006	Hill	035N012E	10	SE	PSTR, RAPI	5	21	1997	1440	65		37500	Y	Milk R, old oxbow, channel & river	
MT960225	Hill	037N012E	15	N2	PSTR	6	3	1996	1115	30		96817	Y	West end of Wild Horse Lake Bed	20 sweeps; surprised to find no tiger salamanders present; lake with water because of wet spring; looked like it would dry up.
MT960223	Hill	037N013E	6	NW	PSTR	6	3	1996	1310	37		151543	Y	Lake on N side of Wild Horse Lake	Lake full from spring rains. 30 sweeps.
MT960029	Hill	037N015E	16	SESW	PSTR	6	3	1996	1320	45		1080000	Y	Creedmen Coulee NWR	
MT950153	Judith Basin	011N010E	10	SESW	RALU	6	1	1995	1435	15	6600		Y	Hidden Lake (also section 15)	UTM 5174300N 541600E
MT950154	Judith	011N010E	21	NESE	RALU	6	1	1995	1320	45	6650		Y	Deadhorse Creek beaver dams	UTM 5171900N 541100E

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MT980160	Basin Judith	019N009E	9	NE	RAPI	6	30	1998	1100	20	5160	2500	Y	Beaver pond, Upper Highwood Cr	
MT950547	Basin Judith	019N009E	22		RAPI	7	24	1995	930	30	5280		Y	Arrow Creek	
MT960005	Basin Judith	019N009E	22	NW	PSTR	6	6	1996	1230	40	5322	100		Seep above Arrow Ck	
MT950136	Lewis & Clark	013N008W	5	NWNW	AMMA, RALU	5	24	1995	1255	35	5400		Y	Middle Copper Creek drainage in pond.	UTM 5216500N 374800E
MT950657	Lewis & Clark	015N006W	20	NE	RALU	8	31	1995	1138	27	5200		Y	Upper Blackfoot River marshes	
MT950134	Lewis & Clark	015N008W	4	NW	RALU	5	24	1995	1720	30	5350		Y	Copper Creek beaver pond near campgrounds.	UTM 5216000N 376900E
MT950138	Lewis & Clark	016N008W	17	SW	AMMA, RALU	5	25	1995	1343	22	6430			Pond N of Heart Lake	UTM 5221800N 374900E.
MT980147	Lewis & Clark	019N009W	6	NE	RALU	5	26	1998	1030	60	5760	100000	Y	Wood Lake	Contact: M. Enk, USFS - Great Falls
MT980148	Lewis & Clark	019N009W	12	NE	RALU	5	26	1998	1200	90	5760	50000	Y	N of Wood Lake - other side of dike in marshy area - small pond near rd	Contact: M. Enk, USFS - Great Falls
MT980154	Lewis & Clark	020N009W	23	NW	PSTR, RALU	5	28	1998	1430	30	5540	250	Y	Pond across from Hidden Valley Ranch	
MT980158	Lewis & Clark	020N010W	16	NE	RALU	6	11	1998	1312	58	5297	7500	Y	SE of Rd 234 crossing of Benchmark Cr	
MT980150	Lewis & Clark	020N010W	23	SE	RALU	5	26	1998	1500	60	5520	150000	Y	Marsh area S of Benchmark airstrip	Contact: M. Enk, USFS - Great Falls
MT980149	Lewis & Clark	020N010W	25	SE	RALU	5	26	1998	1400	60	5600	100000	Y	Marshy areas along river ca 2 mi N of Wood Lake	Contact: M. Enk, USFS - Great Falls
MT980153	Lewis & Clark	021N009W	15	SW	RALU, THSI	5	28	1998	1330	30	4940	12500	Y	Pond off Beaver/Willow Rd	
MT960086	Meagher	008N011E	13	NWSW	PSTR	6	17	1996	1120	30	4779		Y	NW side Martinsdale Res.	
MT970021	Petroleum	012N024E	12	NENE	PSTR	6	8	1997	850	50			Y	pond off Flat Willow Creek	
MT970019	Petroleum	012N025E	34	SENW	PSTR	6	8	1997	1025	50			Y	Little Wall Creek Reservoir	
MT980081	Petroleum	012N026E	3	NW	PSTR	5	1	1998	1230	75	3214	3250	Y	Pike Creek, 12 mi S of Winnett, 0.5 mi W of Hwy 244	F0928;S0928
MT980102	Petroleum	012N031E	18	NW	AMTI, THRA	6	24	1998	1405	65	2804	3000	Y	Sec 18 Reservoir off of Cty Rd 500 (Melstone Rd), 13 mi S of Mosby	F1012;S1012;Axolotl's dead on shoreline
MT970015	Petroleum	013N026E	4	NW	AMTI, PSTR	6	8	1997	1530	75			Y	pond NE of Yellowstone River	
MT970028	Petroleum	013N026E	7	NE	PSTR, THRA	6	8	1997	1345	75		1000	Y	Yellow Water Res.	
MT980027	Petroleum	013N026E	7	NENW	RAPI,	5	27	1998	1530	75	3000		Y	Yellow Water Reservoir, War	

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MT970020	Petroleum	013N026E	12	NWSE	THRA AMTI, COCO, THRA	6	8	1997	1155	45			Y	Horse NWR pond off Flat Willow Creek	
MT970029	Petroleum	014N025E	14	NESE	PSTR	6	8	1997	1720	35			Y	pond on tributary to Elk Creek	
MT970022	Petroleum	015N026E	25	SW	PSTR	6	10	1997	1650	30			Y	pond off Cemetary Road	
MT970023	Petroleum	015N028E	25	E2SW	PSTR	6	11	1997	835	65			Y	Gorman Coulee Road	
MT960411	Petroleum	016N024E	20	SE	PSTR, RAPI	6	18	1996	1105	75		555837	Y	Lewis Reservoir	
MT960401	Petroleum	016N025E	29	NW	PSTR, SPBO	6	17	1996	1917	63	3135	5844603	Y	War Horse Reservoir	
MT980020	Petroleum	016N025E	29	NWNW	PSTR	5	31	1998	1835	25	3140		Y	Inlet canal to War Horse Lake, War Horse NWR	
MT970025	Petroleum	016N026E	13	SWSE	PSTR	6	10	1997	930	40			Y	pond upstream from Vogel Res.	
MT980018	Petroleum	016N026E	13	SWSE	PSTR, THRA	7	3	1998	1150	45			Y	Unnamed stock reservoir ca. 9 mi N of Winnett along Valentine-Dovetail Rd	
MT960418	Petroleum	016N026E	31	N	PSTR, RAPI	6	18	1996	1715		3095	557807	Y	Little Bear Lake	
MT970024	Petroleum	016N028E	34	NWNW	PSTR, THRA	6	11	1997	1010	50			Y	Reservoir on Cat Creek	
MT980019	Petroleum	017N024E	32	SWSE	AMTI	7	2	1998	1632	41	3240		Y	Small lake ca. 1.5 mi SW of Blakeslee School, on Duck Cr.	
MT970013	Petroleum	017N026E	25	NE	PSTR, SPBO	6	9	1997	1930	55		300	Y	South Fork of the Blood Reservoir	
MT970018	Petroleum	017N026E	31	SW	PSTR	6	10	1997	1505				Y	Pond 4 mi E of Wild Horse Lake	
MT970016	Petroleum	017N027E	8	NWNE	COCO, PSTR, SPBO, THRA	6	10	1997	1310	65		1000	Y	Sage Creek, Downstream from Dovetail Road	
MT950378	Petroleum	019N028E	1	SE	PSTR	7	13	1995	2020	7		4000	Y	Pond 4	
MT950394	Petroleum	019N028E	13	SENE	AMTI, PSTR	7	14	1995	700	10		4000	Y	Pond 10	
MT950376	Petroleum	019N028E	14	SWNW	PSTR	7	13	1995	1500	5		0	Y	Pond 6	
MT950374	Petroleum	019N028E	24	SENE	PSTR	7	13	1995	1725	15		8000	Y	Pond 8	
MT950372	Petroleum	019N028E	25	NWNW	PSTR	7	13	1995	1800	16		4000	Y	Pond 9	
MT960403	Petroleum	019N028E	27	NWNW	CHPI, THRA	6	17	1996	1120	40	2655	13000	Y	Pond just below Drag Reservoir	
MT960068	Phillips	021N024E	1	NW	BUWO, CHPI, PSTR	6	13	1996	1210	40	2283	12600	Y	CMR NWR, ponds by Jct Rds 101 & 201	

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MT960069	Phillips	021N025E	2	NW	PSTR, RAPI	6	13	1996	1415	60	2296	5600	Y	CMR NWR, Rock Ck Res.	
MT960072	Phillips	022N029E	33	SW	PSTR, THRA	6	19	1996	1405	40	2461	25000	Y	UL Bend NWR, Res. off Rd 212 ca. 1 mi N of Jct w/Rd 201	
MT960071	Phillips	022N030E	23	NW	CHPI, PSTR, THRA	6	19	1996	1030	60	2392	16200	Y	UL Bend NWR, Res. near Valentine Ck off Rd 201	Reservoir is not on map.
MT960067	Phillips	022N032E	18	NW	PSTR	6	18	1996	1630	30	2297	5100	Y	CMR NWR, Fourchette Bay	
MT970108	Phillips	023N023E	26	NENE	PSTR, RAPI, THRA	6	22	1997	855	75	2990	24000	Y	Pond N of Bell Ridge Recreation Site	
MT970109	Phillips	023N024E	7	SWSE	PSTR, RAPI, THRA	6	22	1997	1035	25	3000	6400	Y	Pond off Siparyann Creek at Hwy 191	
MT980053	Phillips	023N024E	8	SW	PSTR, RAPI	5	24	1998	1630	60	3083	33600	Y	Siparyann Creek along Hwy 191, 2 mi S of jct with Hwy 66	F0967;S0967
MT980052	Phillips	023N024E	20	NW	THRA	5	24	1998	1350	70	2959	7750	Y	Sec 20 Reservoir, 0.5 mi N of Bell Ridge, 2 mi E of Hwy 191	F0966;S0966
MT960070	Phillips	023N025E	26	NWSW	PSTR	6	13	1996	1630	40	2953	24000	Y	N of CMR NWR, Deep Res. 1 mi E of Gullwing Res.	
MT970082	Phillips	024N024E	12	SESW	RAPI	10	8	1997	1510	20	3400	300	Y	The Plunge (Warm Springs) on Warm Springs Creek	
MT950507	Phillips	024N026E	7	NESE	CHPI, PSTR	7	19	1995	1417	23	3340		Y	Pond 3 miles ENE of Robinson School	
MT960031	Phillips	025N025E	21	SW	AMTI	7	8	1996	720	15	3800	450	Y	Stock pond abv Ruby Creek ca. 1.5 mi SE of Zortman	
MT950509	Phillips	025N025E	34	SW	AMTI, THRA	7	19	1995	1340	10	3560		Y	Pond E of Ruby Creek, SSE of Zortman	
MT950421	Phillips	025N033E	1	SWSW	PSTR, RAPI	7	16	1995	951	7		4000	Y	Pond 12	
MT950416	Phillips	025N033E	2	SENE	CHPI	7	16	1995	930	7		4000	Y	Pond 11	
MT950419	Phillips	025N033E	3	NENW	PSTR	7	16	1995	1630	10	2610	4000	Y	Pond 10	
MT950431	Phillips	025N033E	10	SW	PSTR	7	16	1995	1440	13		4000	Y	Pond 13	
MT950434	Phillips	025N033E	15	NWSW	PSTR	7	16	1995	1224	7	2600	4000	Y	Pond 17	
MT950436	Phillips	025N033E	15	SWNE	THRA	7	16	1995	1155	10	2640	4000	Y	Pond 18	
MT950432	Phillips	025N033E	16	SWSW	PSTR	7	16	1995	1305	10	2740	4000	Y	Pond 16	
MT950405	Phillips	025N033E	23	NENE	PSTR	7	15	1995	1800	11		4000	Y	Pond 19	
MT950459	Phillips	026N033E	24	SENE	THRA	7	17	1995	1000	30	2570	4000	Y	Pond 3	
MT950461	Phillips	026N033E	25	NWNW	CHPI	7	17	1995	1055	25	2600	12000	Y	Pond 4	
MT950425	Phillips	026N033E	27	NWSE	PSTR	7	16	1995	1755	15	2620	4000	Y	Pond 2	
MT950423	Phillips	026N033E	28	NE	PSTR	7	16	1995	1825	26	2560	60000	Y	Pond 1	
MT960429	Phillips	026N033E	30	/29	CHPI, PSTR	6	20	1996	1920	40	2515	269603	Y	Lake PR-19	

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MT950413	Phillips	026N033E	34	SWSE	PSTR	7	16	1995	1650	5	2610	4000	Y	Pond 10 A	
MT950426	Phillips	026N033E	35	C	PSTR	7	16	1995	830	12		4000	Y	Pond 8	
MT960217	Phillips	027N027E	1		RAPI	7	24	1996	1020	20		896924	Y	Lower Wild Horse Reservoir	Also T27N R28E section 6. Also 1, 35 and 36.
MT960215	Phillips	027N027E	2	NW	RAPI, THRA	7	24	1996	920	45		876915	Y	Wild Horse Reservoir	
MT950510	Phillips	027N030E	20	SE	PSTR, THRA	7	19	1995	1055	25			Y	Ponds in Button Butte Coulee above Nelson Reservoir	
MT960433	Phillips	027N032E	30	NW	PSTR	6	20	1996	1635	55	2455	175460	Y	Unnamed pond 1.4 mi S, 1.2 mi W of Black Cow Reservoir	
MT960396	Phillips	028N027E	9	WMID	PSTR	6	5	1996	900	90	2610	159864	Y	Pond N of Tressler Coulee	
MT960430	Phillips	028N030E	1	N2	PSTR	6	20	1996	1200	60		289268	Y	Bennett Lake	
MT960385	Phillips	029N027E	31	SW	PSTR	6	4	1996	1755	15	2590		Y	Korsbeck WPA, Pond 2	
MT960387	Phillips	029N027E	31	MIDE	AMTI, PSTR	6	4	1996	1655	45	2770		Y	Pond 1, Korsbeck WPA	
MT960386	Phillips	029N027E	32	SE	PSTR	6	4	1996	1515	15	2580		Y	Korsbeck WPA east pond	
MT960391	Phillips	029N027E	33	SW	PSTR	6	4	1996	1545	50	2570	839142	Y	Lake S of Shaver Ranch	
MT960399	Phillips	029N028E	13	NW	PSTR	6	5	1996	1600	30	2495	37662	Y	Temporary pond N of Halfway Coulee.	
MT960075	Phillips	030N031E	15	NW	PSTR	6	20	1996	1435	35	2220	240000	Y	Bowdoin NWR - Goose Island Pond	
MT960389	Phillips	031N026E	26		PSTR, RAPI	6	4	1996	1045	110	2290	156148	Y	Dodson Reservoir	
MT980046	Phillips	031N030E	8	SW	RAPI	5	22	1998	1205	75	2335	4200	Y	Assinibone Creek, 6 mi NW of Malta, 2 mi W of Hwy 242	F0960;S0960
MT960073	Phillips	031N031E	23	SE	CHPI	6	20	1996	1215	45	2224	1800	Y	Bowdoin NWR, S end of Lake- side Unit near Dry Lake Canal	
MT980030	Phillips	031N034E	19	SE	CHPI, PSTR, RAPI	5	15	1998	1310	150	2276	87500	Y	First Creek and adjoining Reservoir, 2.5 mi S of Saco	F0944;S0944
MT980047	Phillips	032N029E	17	NW	CHPI, THRA	5	22	1998	1500	75	2722	48600	Y	Sec 17 Reservoir, 12 mi NW of Malta, 9 mi W of Hwy 242	F0961;S0961
MT961027	Phillips	032N032E	15	NENW	CHPI, RAPI	7	25	1996	1410	30	2185	96087	Y	McNeil Slough WPA	
MT980048	Phillips	035N033E	15	SE	CHPI, THRA	5	23	1998	1205	65	2804	24200	Y	Sec 15 Reservoir, 1 mi W of Turkey Rd, 24 mi N of Saco	F0962;S0962
MT980051	Phillips	035N035E	31	NW	CHPI, COCO	5	23	1998	1745	70	2280	8000	Y	Frenchman Creek, 3 mi N of Frenchman Reservoir	F0965;S0965
MT980049	Phillips	035N035E	33	SW	PSTR	5	23	1998	1445	60	2532	46000	Y	Sec 33 Reservoir, 0.5 mi N of Genevieve, 24 mi N of Hinsdale	F0963;S0963
MT980050	Phillips	035N036E	26	NE	CHPI	5	23	1998	1600	60	2526	5475	Y	Snake Creek, 3 mi NE of Genevieve, 26 mi N of Hinsdale	F0964;S0964
MT960248	Phillips	036N027E	25		PSTR, THRA	7	10	1996	1540	20		252191	Y	Chapman Reservoir, in Woody Island Coulee	Also in T36N R27E 36 and T36N R28E 30, PSTR

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MT960033	Phillips	036N029E	5	SE	PSTR	7	11	1996	2006	30	2850		Y	Dyrdahl WPA	specimen collected (MTHP 4057.) Collected 3 specimens (MTHP 4058)
MT960211	Phillips	036N031E	35	NE	AMTI, PSTR	7	12	1996	1145	60		2693013	Y	Whitewater Lake	
MT960213	Phillips	037N031E	35	NW	THRA	7	24	1996	1635	55		2000000	Y	Pea Lake	Also 2, SE4 27 and NE4 34.
MT950565	Pondera		0		AMMA, RALU	7	31	1995	1300	90	5720		Y	Headwaters of S Fk Two	
MT961357	Pondera	028N009W	20	NWNE	PSTR	5	31	1996	1620	25	4680		Y	Medicine River beaver complex Unnamed Lake, 0.5 mi ENE of NW Howe Lake at Jarina WPA	
MT950107	Pondera	029N001W	17	SESW	PSTR	5	6	1995	2015	30	3412		Y	Ca. 3 mi E of Ledger on County Rd 336	LAT 481553N LONG 1114554W
MT970115	Powell	014N011W	16	SW	RALU	7	22	1997	1510	80	4298	21000	Y	Brown's Lake inlet	Along stream from road to lake.
MT970005	Teton	022N001W	3	NW	RAPI	5	20	1997	1300	45		5000	Y	Sand Ck trib., pond	
MT970003	Teton	022N001W	24	S2SW	PSTR, RAPI	5	20	1997	1430	40		5000	Y	Gordon, 1.8 mi W, 0.7 mi N of	MTHP - 2180
MT961007	Teton	022N007W	3	SWNE	THEL	7	22	1996	1145	50	4396	9600	Y	Pond off northwest side Pishkin Reservoir	
MT960065	Teton	025N009W	8	SW	BUBO	6	11	1996	1715	30	6397	600	Y	Teton Pass Ski Area - water source pond	
MT980151	Teton	025N009W	26	SW	BUBO	5	27	1998	1300	180	5120	10000	Y	Cave Mtn, Middle Fork Teton, Teton NF next to cmpgrnd	
MT960064	Teton	026N006W	29	NW		6	11	1996	1430	40	4143	8000	Y	Blackleaf Canyon Rd, jct of Muddy Ck & Bynum Canal	
MT961351	Teton	026N008W	14	SWSE	PSTR	5	29	1996	1600	25	4660		Y	Ponds on E edge of Blackleaf Game Range	
MT961346	Teton	026N008W	18	NESE	AMTI, PSTR	5	26	1996	1750	30	5174		Y	Blackleaf Game Range pond	
MT961350	Teton	026N008W	28	N	PSTR	5	29	1996	1210	20	4950		Y	Blackleaf Swamp	
MT961358	Teton	027N009W	23	NNW	PSTR, RALU	5	31	1996	1420	15	5060		Y	N Fork Dupuyer Pond, upland	
MT961354	Teton	027N009W	35	NWSE	AMTI, PSTR, RALU, THSI	5	30	1996	1425	95	5480		Y	Ephemeral pond	
MT950115	Toole	031N001W	22	SWSW	PSTR	5	16	1995	1900	45	3379		Y	Small reservoir 4 mi S of Hwy 2 and 1 mi E of Cnty Rd 417	
MT960361	Toole	033N003W	26	NE	PSTR	6	1	1996	1110	40	3270	40000	Y	Temporary pond, 5 mi N, 4 mi E of Shelby.	3 adults, calling.
MT960370	Toole	035N002W	7	SE	PSTR	6	1	1996	1545	20	3310	372565	Y	Temporary pond 2.5 mi E, and 3.4 mi N of Kevin.	8 adults calling.
MT960244	Toole	035N002W	20	SW	PSTR	6	1	1996	1400	45		26000	Y	Ca. 2.5 mi NW of Oilmont	

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MT961359	Toole	035N002W	20	CENT	PSTR	6	1	1996	1400	45	3340	87500	Y	Temporary pond 3 mi E and 2.4 mi N of Kevin	
MT960233	Toole	035N002W	31	SW	PSTR	6	1	1996	2045	5		93615	Y	Ca. 2.5 mi East of Oilmont	3+; calling.
MT960242	Toole	035N003W	25	NW	PSTR	6	1	1996	1530	25		240000	Y	Ca. 1.5 mi NE of Kevin	
MT950116	Toole	036N003W	24	SWNE	PSTR	5	17	1995	1145	75	4150		Y	Sweetgrass Hills. Pond on E side of Whitlash Rd. b/w Gold and East Buttes.	LAT 485128N LONG 1111702W
MT960030	Toole	037N002W	34	NE	PSTR	6	1	1996	1915	40		60000	Y	"Brown WPA" ca. 4 mi NE of Sunburst	
MT961013	Valley	024N036E	10	SW	AMTI	7	23	1996	1430	40	2474	141071	Y	Desert Coulee Reservoir	
MT961005	Valley	024N037E	12	SE	AMTI, THRA	7	23	1996	1240	65	2430	130244	Y	Two Forks Reservoir	
MT950400	Valley	025N034E	20		PSTR	7	15	1995	1940	5		4000	Y	Alternate Pond 2 for White Horse Coulee Quad	
MT980033	Valley	025N038E	15	NW	RAPI, THRA	5	16	1998	1610	50	2230	2750	Y	Hay Coulee Res'voir on Willow Cr. Rd., 16 mi W of Hwy 24	F0947;S0947
MT980034	Valley	025N039E	18	SE	CHPI, PSTR	5	16	1998	1730	60	2444	7150	Y	Reservoir on S Fk. of Duck Ck., 16 mi W of Hwy 24, 8 mi N of the Pines	F0948;S0948
MT950456	Valley	026N034E	19	SWSE	PSTR	7	17	1995	931	5	2500	4000	Y	Pond 5	
MT950451	Valley	026N034E	30	NWSW	AMTI, PSTR	7	17	1995	1920	16	2480	4000	Y	Pond 7	
MT950476	Valley	026N037E	17	SW	PSTR	7	17	1995	1410	22			Y	Itcaina Reservoir, near Beaver and Triple crossing road intersection	
MT980031	Valley	026N039E	3	SE	THRA	5	16	1998	1110	50	2132	28000	Y	Mud Creek Reservoir, 6 mi W of Hwy 24, 11 mi S of Glasgow	F0945;S0945
MT950455	Valley	027N037E	0		PSTR	7	17	1995				4000	Y	Alternate Pond 2 just NW of Alternate Pond 1	
MT950453	Valley	027N037E	24		PSTR	7	17	1995	1630	20		80000	Y	Alternate 1 Pond (Dammed main rd over Miller Coulee)	
MT950470	Valley	027N038E	21	SWNE	PSTR	7	17	1995	1730	15	2258	32000	Y	Judy Reservoir	
MT950489	Valley	027N038E	24	CENT	RAPI, THRA	7	18	1995	1005	35	2247	60000	Y	January Reservoir	
MT980039	Valley	028N037E	19	NE	CHPI, COCO, RAPI, THRA	5	18	1998	1730	80	2263	37800	Y	Brazil Creek 15 mi W of Glasgow	F0953;S0953
MT980036	Valley	028N038E	10	SE	CHPI	5	18	1998	1205	65	2230	29150	Y	Sec 10 Reservoir, 7 mi W of Glasgow	F0950;S0950
MT980037	Valley	028N038E	20	NE	CHPI, PSTR, RAPI	5	18	1998	1400	70	2181	7650	Y	Brazil Creek, 8 mi W of Glasgow	F0951;S0951

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MT950482	Valley	028N039E	11		PSTR	7	18	1995	1305	15			Y	Glasgow; pond on W side of Cherry Creek	
MT950318	Valley	033N035E	1	SWNE	PSTR	7	2	1995	1440	5	2740	8000	Y	Pond 29A	
MT950344	Valley	033N035E	11	SESE	PSTR	7	3	1995	907	5	2630	4000	Y	Pond 30	
MT950322	Valley	033N035E	12	N	CHPI, PSTR, RAPI, THRA	7	2	1995	1332	48	2660	80000	Y	Pond 29	
MT950327	Valley	033N036E	5	SENE	SPBO	7	2	1995	1655	10	2350	4000	Y	Pond 27	
MT950330	Valley	033N036E	5	NESW	PSTR	7	2	1995	1802	8	2600	4000	Y	Pond 25	
MT950315	Valley	033N036E	6	SWNW	RAPI	7	2	1995	1518	9	2620	16000	Y	Pond 22	
MT950336	Valley	033N036E	6	NENW	RAPI	7	2	1995	1542	8	2610	8000	Y	Pond 23	
MT950326	Valley	033N036E	7	M	PSTR	7	2	1995	1830	10	2660	4000	Y	Pond 24	
MT950350	Valley	034N036E	7		RAPI	7	3	1995	1220	30	2340		Y	Ponds 6-10 (pools in Rock Creek)	
MT950491	Valley	034N036E	21	NWSE	PSTR	7	18	1995	1400	15	2700	4000	Y	Pond 14	
MT961003	Valley	034N039E	28	SW	CHPI, RAPI	7	24	1996	1710	50	2925	126283	Y	Ward Reservoir	Larger than shown on map - dam redone in 1994.
MT980085	Valley	036N007W	29	NW	RAPI	5	3	1998	1410	50	2444	6200	Y	Rock Creek, 2 mi S of Thoeny, 30 mi W of Opheim	F0932;S0932
MT980087	Valley	036N008W	25	NW	CHPI, PSTR	5	3	1998	1730	85	2444	37500	Y	Bluff Creek, 2 mi SW Thoeny, 30 mi W of Opheim	F0934;S0934
MT980086	Valley	036N008W	26	SW	PSTR, RAPI, THRA	5	3	1998	1650	20	2552	2880000	Y	Lake Grable, 4 mi SW of Thoeny, 32 mi W of Opheim	F0933;S0933
MT980058	Blaine	025N020E	6	NW		5	25	1998	1705	40	3411	11000	N	Bud Reservoir, 11 mi N of Missouri River	F0972;S0972
MT980055	Blaine	025N021E	5	NW		5	25	1998	1310	50	2854	10450	N	Sec 5 Reservoir by Cow Creek crossing, 11 mi N of Missouri R	F0969;S0969
MT970107	Blaine	026N022E	30	NESE		6	21	1997	1820	15	3325	1200	N	Upper Little Suction Creek pond	
MT950250	Blaine	033N019E	26	NW		6	30	1995	1845	15	2400		N	Lodge Creek at Hwy 2 near Chinook	
MT950256	Blaine	033N020E	2	SWSE		7	1	1995	850	10	2640	4000	N	Pond 26	
MT950267	Blaine	033N021E	7	S2		7	1	1995	720	10	2600	12000	N	Ponds 29 & 30	
MT960252	Blaine	033N025E	23	E2		7	11	1996	1430	10		202307	N	Pothole, ca. 12 mi NE of Savoy	
MT950299	Blaine	033N030E	1	NESW		7	1	1995	915	5	2630	4000	N	Pond 34	
MT960250	Blaine	034N020E	5	SW		7	11	1996	910	30		60000	N	Unnamed Pothole, 3 mi E and 9.5 mi N of Chinook	
MT950276	Blaine	034N020E	12	SWSE		7	1	1995	2015	5	2740	4000	N	Pond 18	
MT960207	Blaine	034N020E	24	SE		7	11	1996	1100	25		495568	N	Tule Lake	

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MT960209	Blaine	034N021E	18	SW		7	11	1996	1150	35		276937	N	Unnamed Reservoir on Fifteenmile Creek	Also NW4 18.
MT960392	Blaine	035N017E	10	SE		6	4	1996						Ca. 20 mi NE of Havre	100 adults calling.
MT970094	Blaine	036N018E	16	NW		6	20	1997	1850	10	2580	480	N	Battle Creek at road crossing	
MT970090	Blaine	036N019E	17	NW		6	21	1997	1120	10		400	N	Creek crossing ca 1 mi N of confluence with E Fork Battle Creek	Baird's sparrow also observed.
MT970088	Blaine	037N019E	1	SW		6	21	1997	1400	40	2790	30000	N	Reservoir (unnamed) ca 2 mi W of Sand Coulee	Baird's sparrow also observed.
MT970089	Blaine	037N019E	34	SW		6	21	1997	1220	15	2650	400	N	E Fork Battle Creek	
MT970087	Blaine	037N020E	8	SW		6	21	1997	1545	10	2750	480	N	Sand Coulee at road crossing	
MT970086	Blaine	037N020E	11	NW		6	21	1997	1630	20	2825	30000	N	Reservoir (unnamed), ca 3 mi ENE of Sand Coulee	Baird's Sparrow also observed.
MT960246	Blaine	037N023E	13	SE		7	10	1996	1315	20		1115072	N	Akali Lake	Water a milky color.
MT950228	Cascade		0			6	22	1995	1440	25	7000		N	Headwaters of Tillinghust Creek	UTM: 5198530N 512670E
MT960378	Choteau	021N011E	7	NESE		6	3	1996	1300	10	3270		N	Pond N of Kingsbury Lake, Kingsbury WPA	
MT960380	Choteau	021N011E	7	SESE		6	3	1996	1530	10			N	Lower pond N of Kingsbury Lake, Kingsbury WPA	
MT960373	Choteau	025N009E	3			6	2	1996	1800	5		0	N	Old oxbow 0.5 mi N, 2.5 mi E of Loma...	Dry.
MT950383	Fergus	019N021E	0			7	14	1995	1609			4000	N	Pond 10	
MT950391	Fergus	019N021E	0			7	14	1995	1245			12000	N	Pond 5	
MT950390	Fergus	019N021E	14	SE		7	14	1995	1221			4000	N	Pond 6	
MT950387	Fergus	019N021E	22	NESW		7	14	1995	1400	15		4000	N	Pond 8	
MT960407	Fergus	020N026E	17	NE		6	18	1996	1600	60	2825	145201	N	Unnamed reservoir 1.5 mi WNW of Holland Reservoir	
MT960079	Fergus	021N025E	6	SW		6	14	1996	1550	40	2461	1600	N		
MT950251	Hill	032N016E	18	SW		6	30	1995	1737	23	2660		N	Sando Lake, Havre	
MT950155	Judith Basin	011N010E	27	SE		6	1	1995	1230	10	6800		N	Fen just E of Willow Park	
MT950655	Lewis & Clark	015N006W	27	SW		8	31	1995	1115	5	5560		N	Mike Horse Reservoir	
MT950652	Lewis & Clark	016N007W	34	SE		8	31	1995	1240	25	5400		N	Alice Creek	
MT950137	Lewis & Clark	016N008W	33			5	25	1995	1605	100	6000		N	Indian Meadows, also sections 34 and 28.	UTM 5218000N 378000E
MT980157	Lewis & Clark	020N010W	8	NE		6	11	1998	1145	25	5200	50000	N	SW of trail #230, 600 m N of pack bridge	
MT980152	Lewis & Clark	022N009W	35	S2		5	28	1998	1030	90		30000	N	Diversion Lake	Along S shoreline only
MT980159	Meagher	012N007E	22	NW		6	18	1998	1120	30	6040	400	N	Beaver pond on Daniels Cr	
MT970026	Petroleum	013N026E	5	SE		6	8	1997	1510				N	pond E of Warehouse NWR	

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MT970027	Petroleum	016N018E	15	NE		6	9	1997	1650	25		200	N	Upper Carter pond fishing access site	
MT960406	Petroleum	016N024E	2	CENT		6	18	1996	840	40	3170	214130	N	Duck Creek Reservoir	
MT960409	Petroleum	016N025E	3			6	18	1996	1310	140		6458578	N	Wild Horse Lake	
MT980026	Petroleum	016N025E	28	SW		5	27	1998	1800	40	3000		N	War Horse Lake, War Horse NWR	Also SE4.
MT960268	Phillips	023N030E	22	SW		7	23	1996	1020	20		475630	N	Indian Lake	
MT960270	Phillips	023N030E	23	NE		7	23	1996	1140	15		169996	N	Unnamed Lake, ca. 2 mi S of Indian Lake	
MT960266	Phillips	024N027E	14	NE		7	22	1996	1915	35		211526	N	Unnamed reservoir, 0.5 mi N of Dry Fork Creek	
MT950508	Phillips	025N025E	16	SWSW		7	19	1995	1310	25	4000		N	Ruby Creek, Zortman	
MT960260	Phillips	025N028E	25	SW		7	22	1996	1600	20		178348	N	Unnamed Lake	Thamnophis radix in dry rush area.
MT950411	Phillips	025N033E	4	NESE		7	16	1995	1535	16	2640	4000	N	Pond 9	
MT950410	Phillips	025N033E	24	SESE		7	15	1995	1719	6		4000	N	Pond 26	
MT960277	Phillips	026N030E	22	E2		7	23	1996	1610	40		833753	N	Whitcomb Lake	Also in SW section 23.
MT960279	Phillips	027N030E	32	NE		7	23	1996	1740	30		589371	N	Nelson Reservoir	Also in SE 29 and NW 33.
MT950503	Phillips	027N030E	33			7	19	1995	1035	15			N	Nelson Reservoir, ca. 19 mi S of Malta	
MT960426	Phillips	027N031E	27	/28		6	20	1996	1420	25	2455	162105	N	Unnamed pond W of Horse Pasture Coulee	
MT960384	Phillips	028N027E	5	NW		6	4	1996	1825	15			N	Korsbeck WPA pond 3	
MT960290	Phillips	028N028E	22	E2		7	25	1996	1210	20		341343	N	Reservoir no. 161	Access by road?
MT960288	Phillips	029N028E	22	SW		7	25	1996	1045	15		147344	N	reservoir	No location notation made.
MT960292	Phillips	029N028E	23	SE		7	25	1996	1130	15		140497	N	Unnamed reservoir	Also in NE 26
MT950481	Phillips	030N030E	18	NE		7	18	1995	1746	20			N	Malta; Milk River park in town	
MT960035	Phillips	030N031E	5	SWSE		7	25	1996	915	40	2220		N	Patrol Rd Pond, Bowdoin NWR	
MT961011	Phillips	031N031E	13			7	25	1996	1100	60	2245	215498	N	Mud Lake	
MT960074	Phillips	031N031E	26	NW		6	20	1996	1310	30	2220	60000	N	Bowdoin NWR, S end of Lakeside Unit near Dry Lake Canal	
MT960036	Phillips	031N032E	18	SW		7	25	1996	1215	30	2228		N	Pearse WPA pond	Searched W side near handicap access site.
MT960254	Phillips	033N026E	13	SE		7	11	1996	1630	20		282944	N	Unnamed Reservoir on Down Reservoir Quad	30 sweeps
MT960219	Phillips	034N017E	4	E2		6	4	1996	1205	40		1440000	N	Martin Lake	Assumed 4E in meant "Section 4, East half".
MT960256	Phillips	035N029E	14	N2		7	12	1996	935	45		1020412	N	Martin Lake, near Loring	Also in NE 15
MT960283	Phillips	036N031E	20	SE		7	24	1996	1250	20		186617	N	Unnamed Lake, 2 mi NW of Whitewater Reservoir	

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MT960077	Pondera	028N009W	17	SE		6	11	1996	1210	50	4690	320000	N		
MT961356	Pondera	028N009W	20	SWNW		5	31	1996	1750	20	4730		N	Jarina WPA, NE Howe Lake	
MT960076	Pondera	028N010W	24	NW		6	11	1996	1030	60	4692	24000	N		
MT970012	Teton					5	20	1997	1545	40		500	N	Little Sandy R at confluence w Missouri R	
MT961043	Teton	022N007W	17			7	22	1996	1255	40	4290	677392	N	Split Rock Lake	
MT960037	Teton	025N005W	6	NW		7	22	1996	1630	40	3930		N	Foster Creek WPA	
MT961045	Teton	025N006W	6			7	22	1996	1530	45	4180	1298499	N	Bynum Reservoir	
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MT960044	Teton	025N008W	6			8	16	1996	1100	90			N	Clark Fork Muddy Ck & 3 dry ponds	
MT960042	Teton	025N008W	18			8	16	1996	940	80	6250	2000000	N	Unnamed trib S of Clark Fork Muddy Ck	
MT960038	Teton	025N008W	19			8	15	1996	1530	90	6000		N	Upper Pamburn Ck	
MT960040	Teton	025N009W	1			8	15	1996	1230	30	6300	4000	N	Upper Blindhorse Ck	
MT960066	Teton	025N009W	23			6	11	1996	1830	75	5150	64000	N	Teton R., W Fk, beaver ponds ca. 2 mi N of Cave Mtn Campground	
MT960043	Teton	025N009W	25			8	16	1996	740	120	5100	1000000	N	Clary Coulee	
MT961342	Teton	026N008W	20	NWSE		5	26	1996	1115	5	5000		N	Blackleaf Game Range	
MT960039	Teton	026N008W	27	SW		8	15	1996	1225	70	4801	210000	N	Lake on Blackleaf WMA	
MT960041	Teton	026N008W	33	NE		8	15	1996	1335	85	4820		N	Blackleaf WMA, small ponds SSE of Antelope Butte	
MT961352	Teton	026N009W	1	NE		5	30	1996	1020	10	5110		N	Rocky Mountain Front pond above Cow Creek	
MT961353	Teton	026N009W	1	SE		5	30	1996	1100	70	5100		N	Beaver pond complex on Cow Creek, Rocky Mountain Front	
MT960015	Teton	026N009W	13	W		9	11	1996	1520	60	5600	2000	N	E Fork Blackleaf Ck	
MT960016	Teton	026N009W	13	SENE		9	11	1996	1630	50	5300	200	N	Beaver Ponds N of Blackleaf Ck	
MT961355	Teton	027N009W	22	SESE		5	31	1996	1310	10	5060		N	Backwater/spring on N. F. Dupuyer River	
MT960366	Toole	036N002W	17			6	1	1996	1645	75	3315	801688	N	Temporary lake SE of Sunburst	
MT960237	Toole	036N003W	34	NE		6	1	1996	1730	20		320000	N	Ca. 6 mi N of Kevin	
MT950408	Valley	025N034E	0			7	15	1995	1915	5		4000	N	Alternate Pond for White Horse Coulee Pond	
MT950475	Valley	025N034E	8	NESW		7	17	1995	850			4000	N	Pond 15	
MT950402	Valley	025N034E	20	SENW		7	15	1995	1630	10		4000	N	Pond 27	
MT950467	Valley	025N036E	5			7	17	1995	1319	19			N	Whitetail Reservoir	

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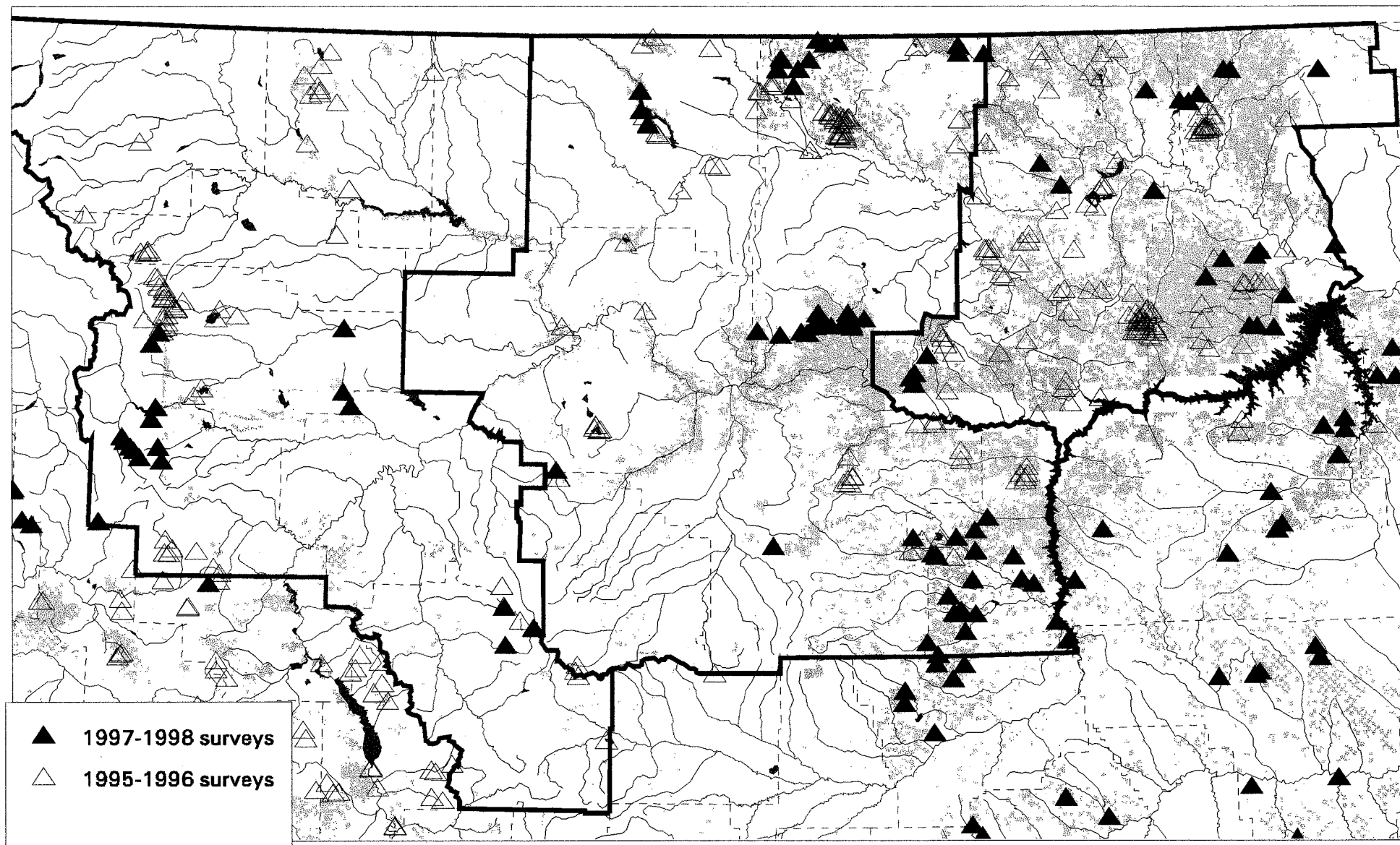
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MT980032	Valley	025N038E	17	NW		5	16	1998	1330	90	2214	20500	N	Willow Creek, 1 mi N of Willow Cr. Rd., 18 mi W of Hwy 24	F0946;S0946
MT980038	Valley	027N036E	9	NE		5	18	1998	1600	50	2345	70000	N	Hamm's Reservoir, 24 mi WSW of Glasgow	F0952;S0952
MT961046	Valley	027N037E	35			7	24	1996	940	60	2235	929041	N	Grubb Reservoir	Several islands both with and without willow
MT950483	Valley	027N038E	22	SENE		7	18	1995	930	10	2254	52000	N	Deep Cut Reservoir	
MT961009	Valley	028N036E	23	W2		7	24	1996	1430	30	2339	746528	N	VR-2 Reservoir	
MT950339	Valley	033N035E	10	NE		7	3	1995	830	5	2620	4000	N	Pond 32	
MT950486	Valley	034N036E	21	NWSW		7	18	1995	1430	10	2660	4000	N	Pond 15	
MT950346	Valley	034N036E	26	N		7	3	1995	944	10	2570	12000	N	Pond 20	

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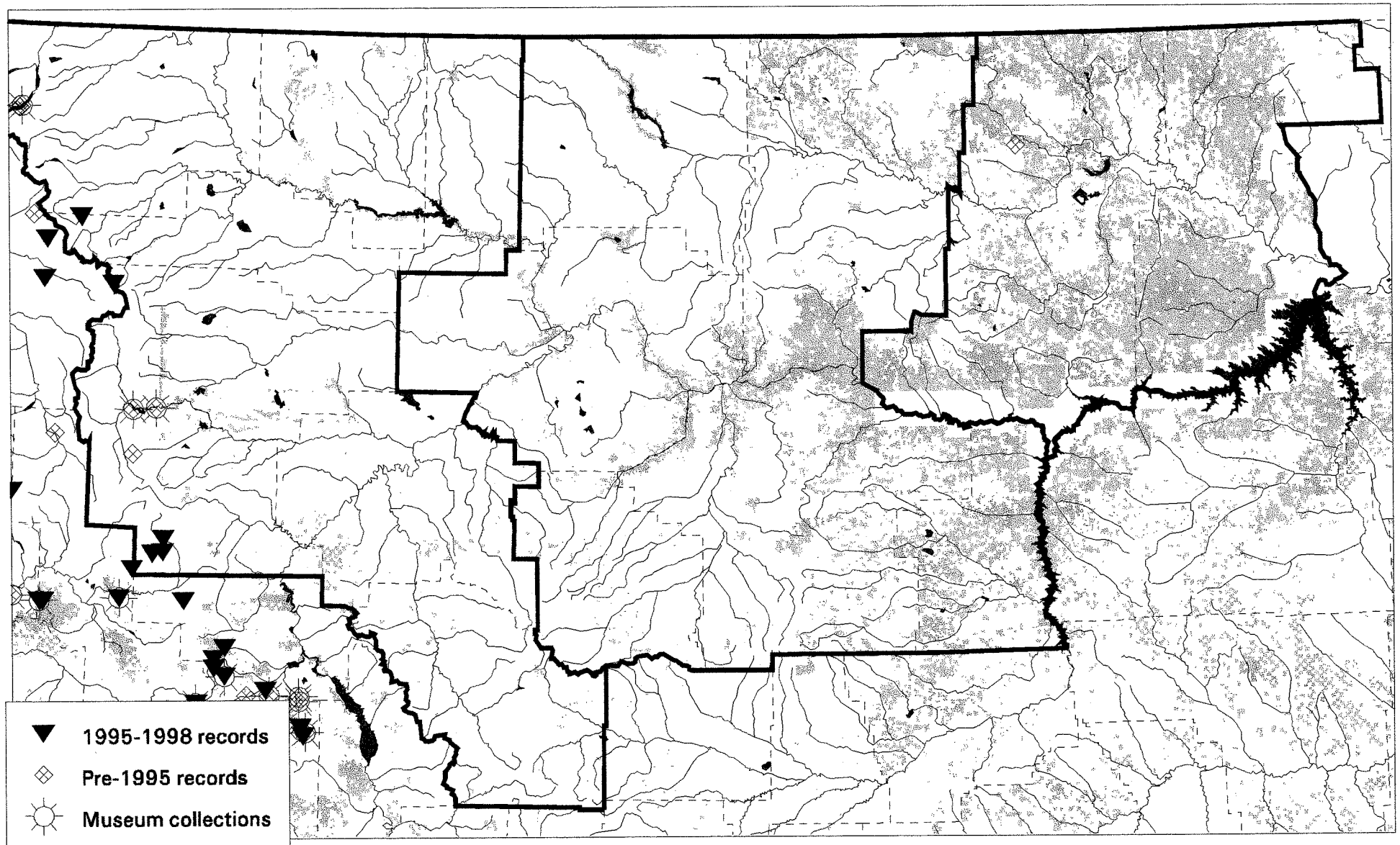
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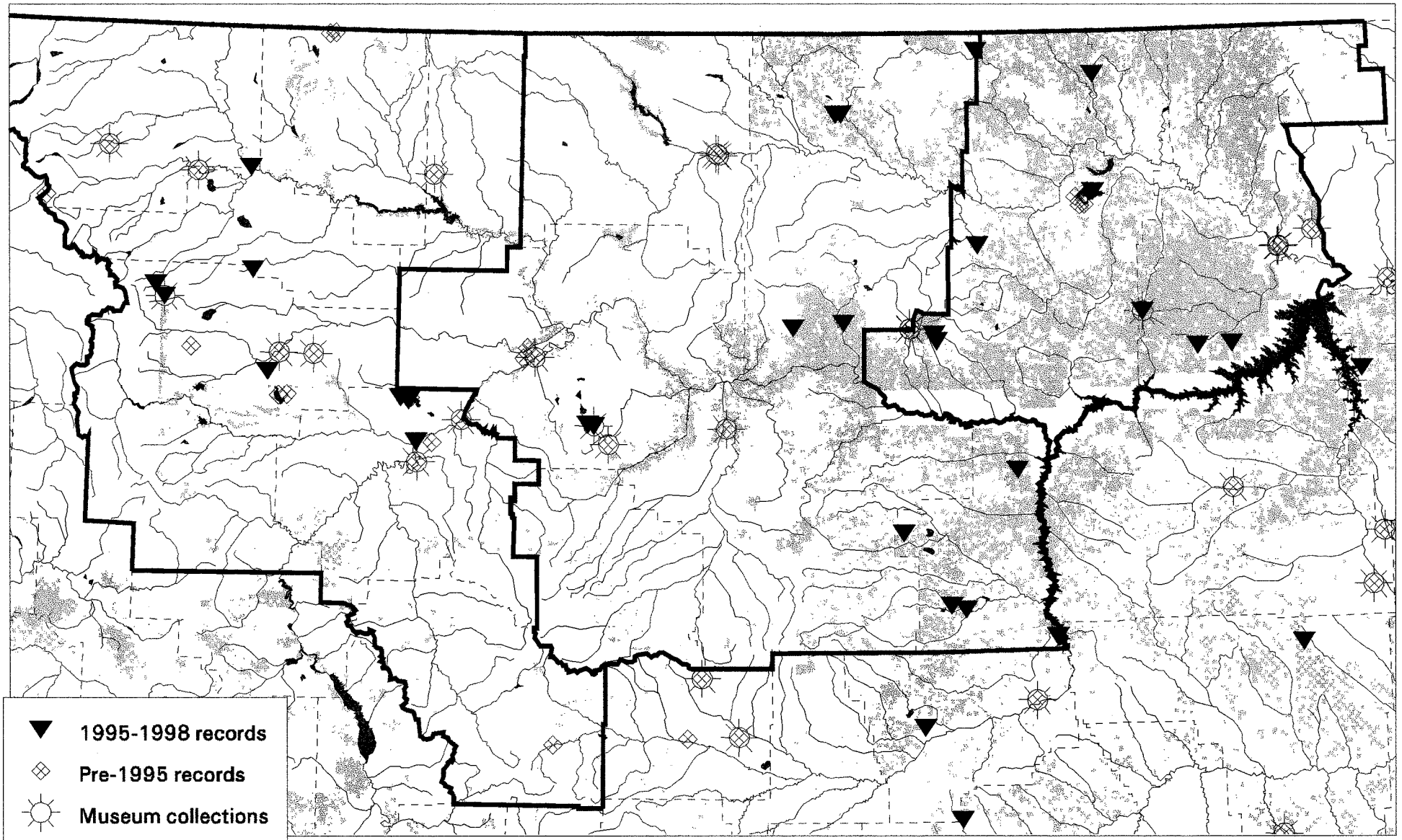
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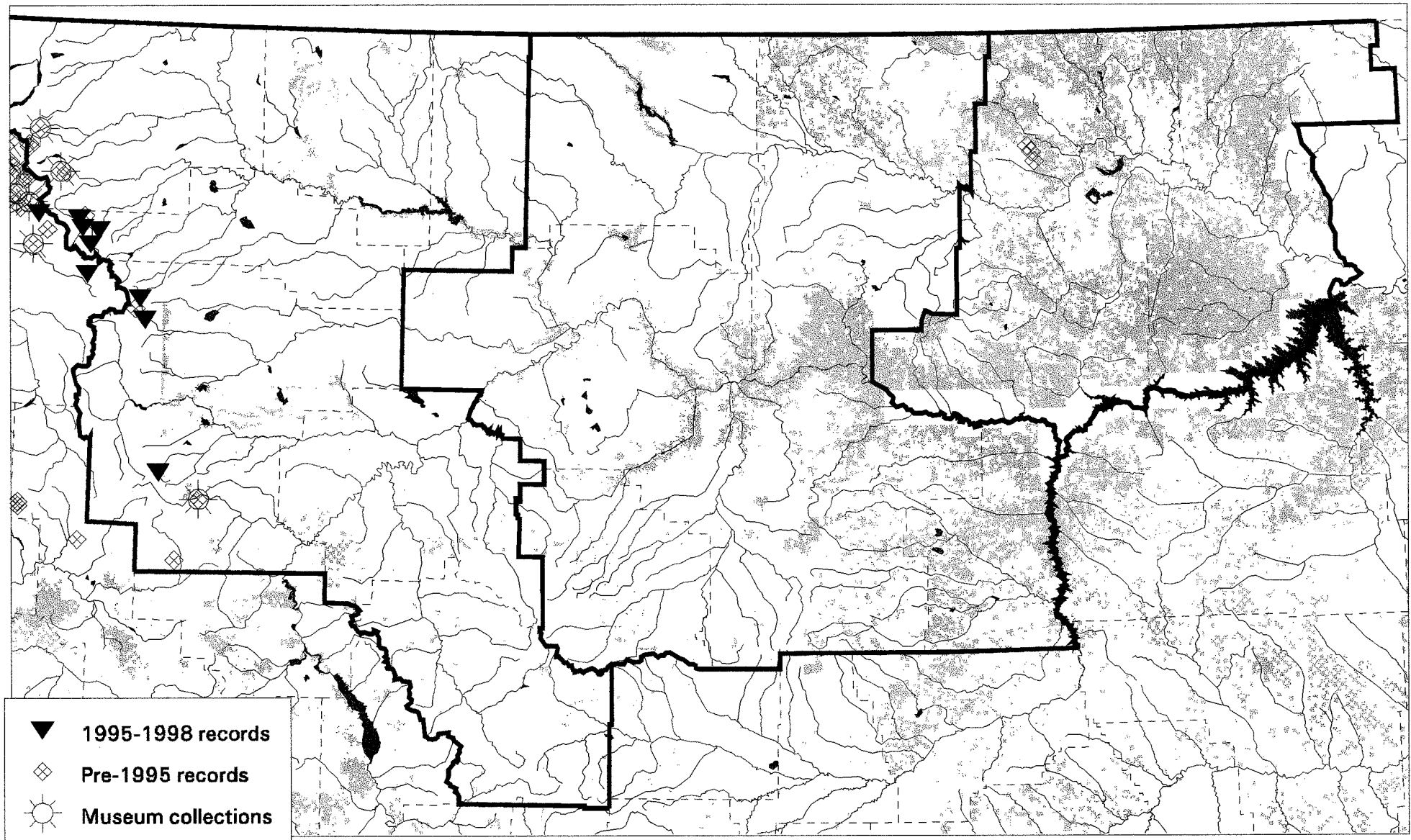
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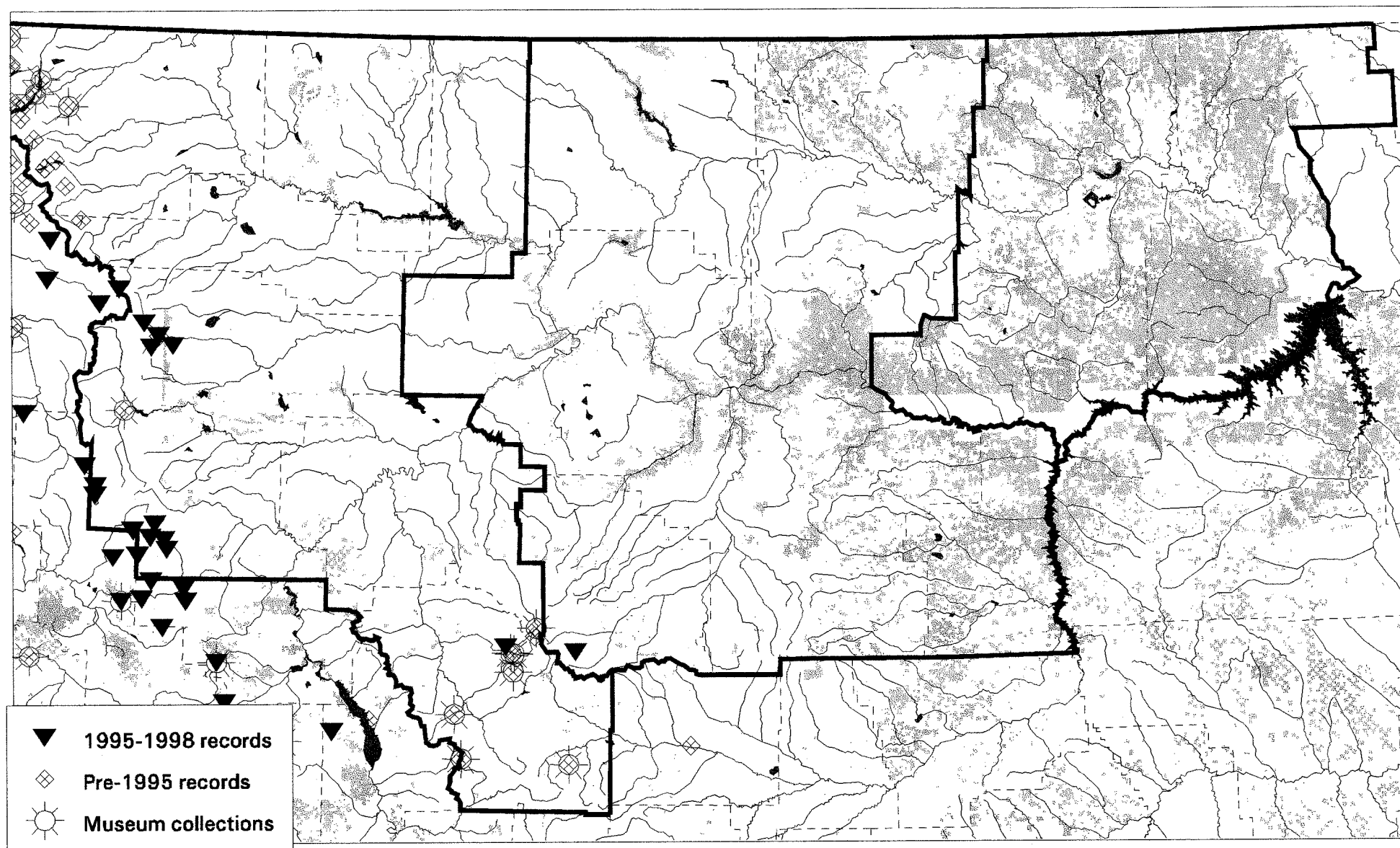
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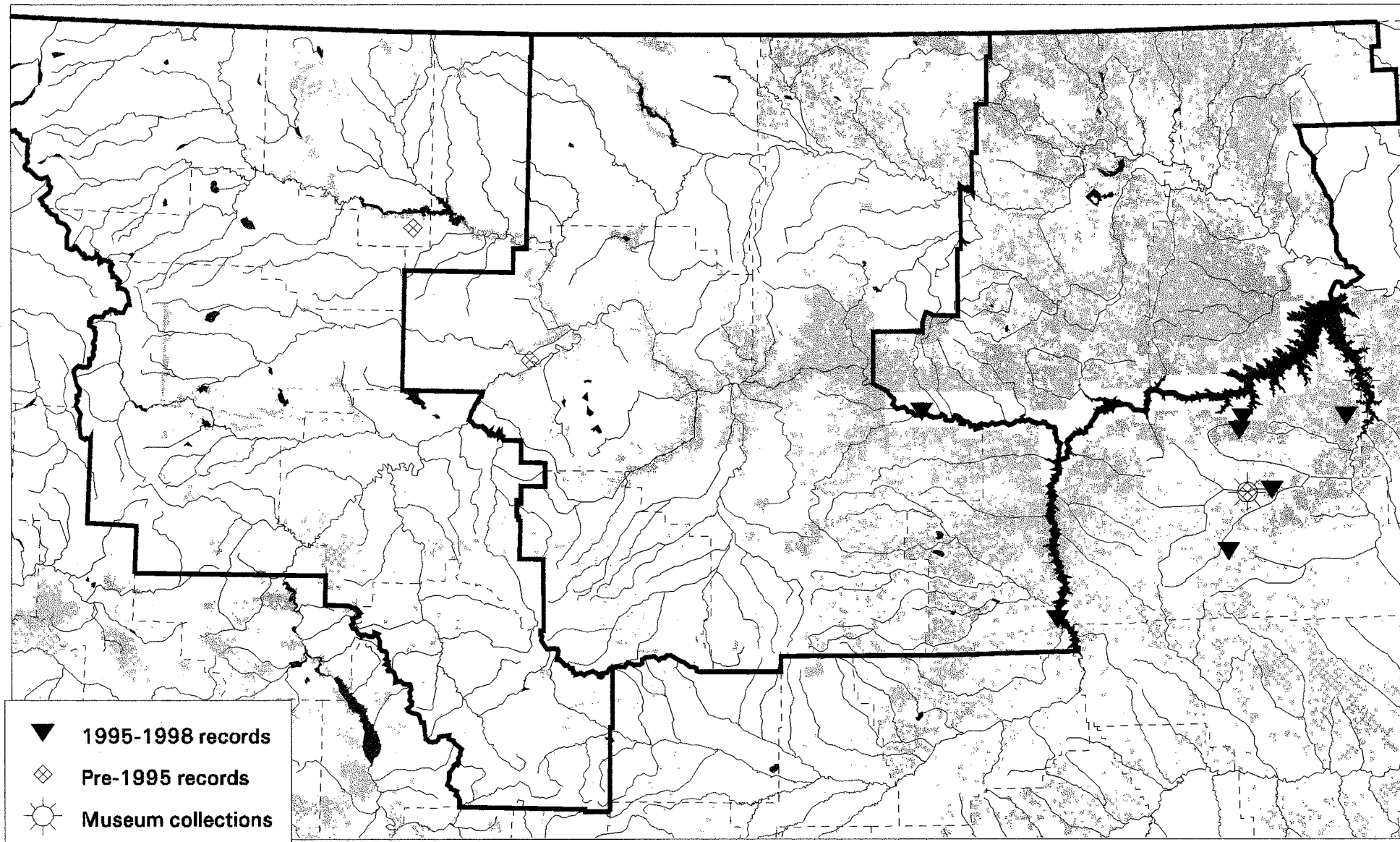
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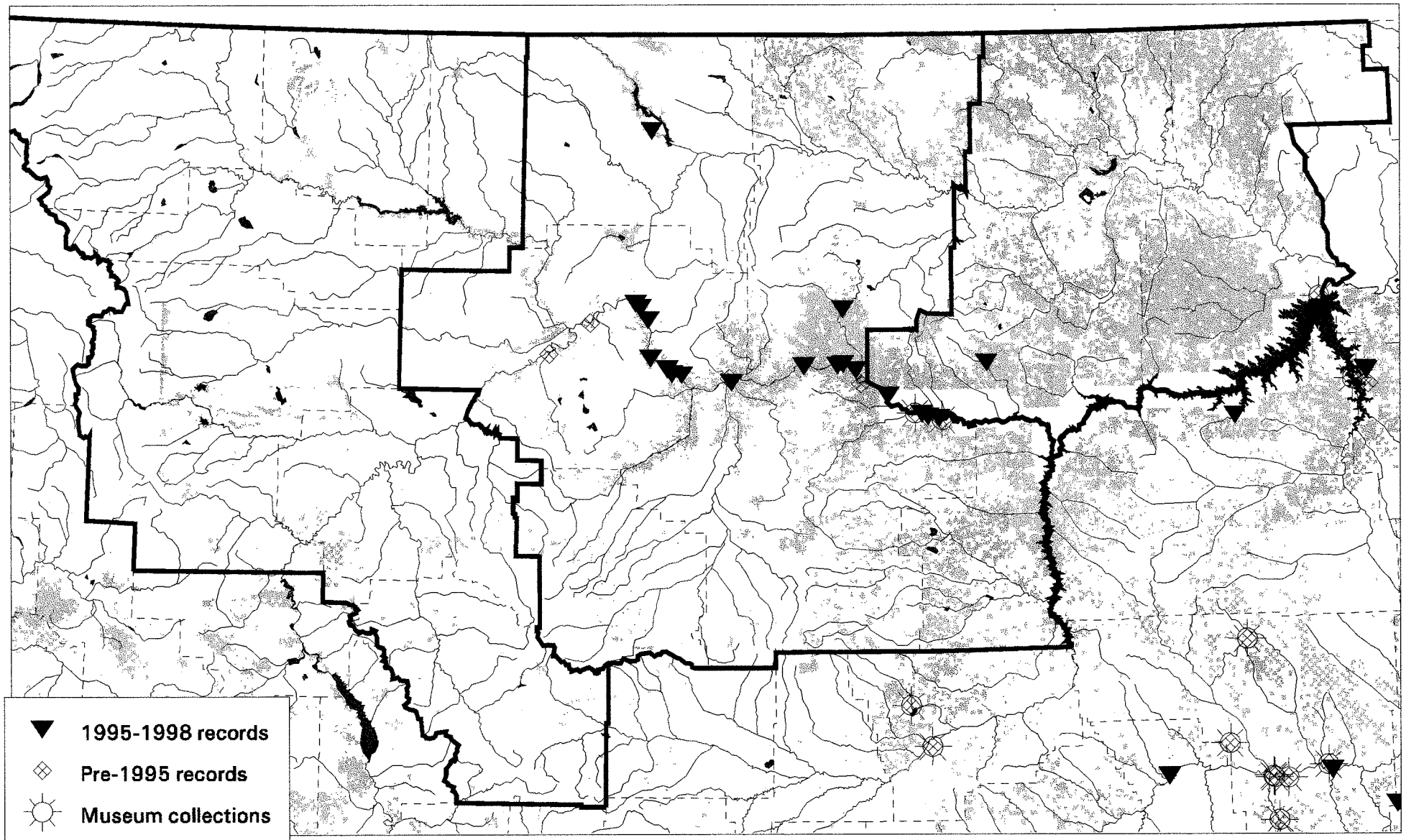
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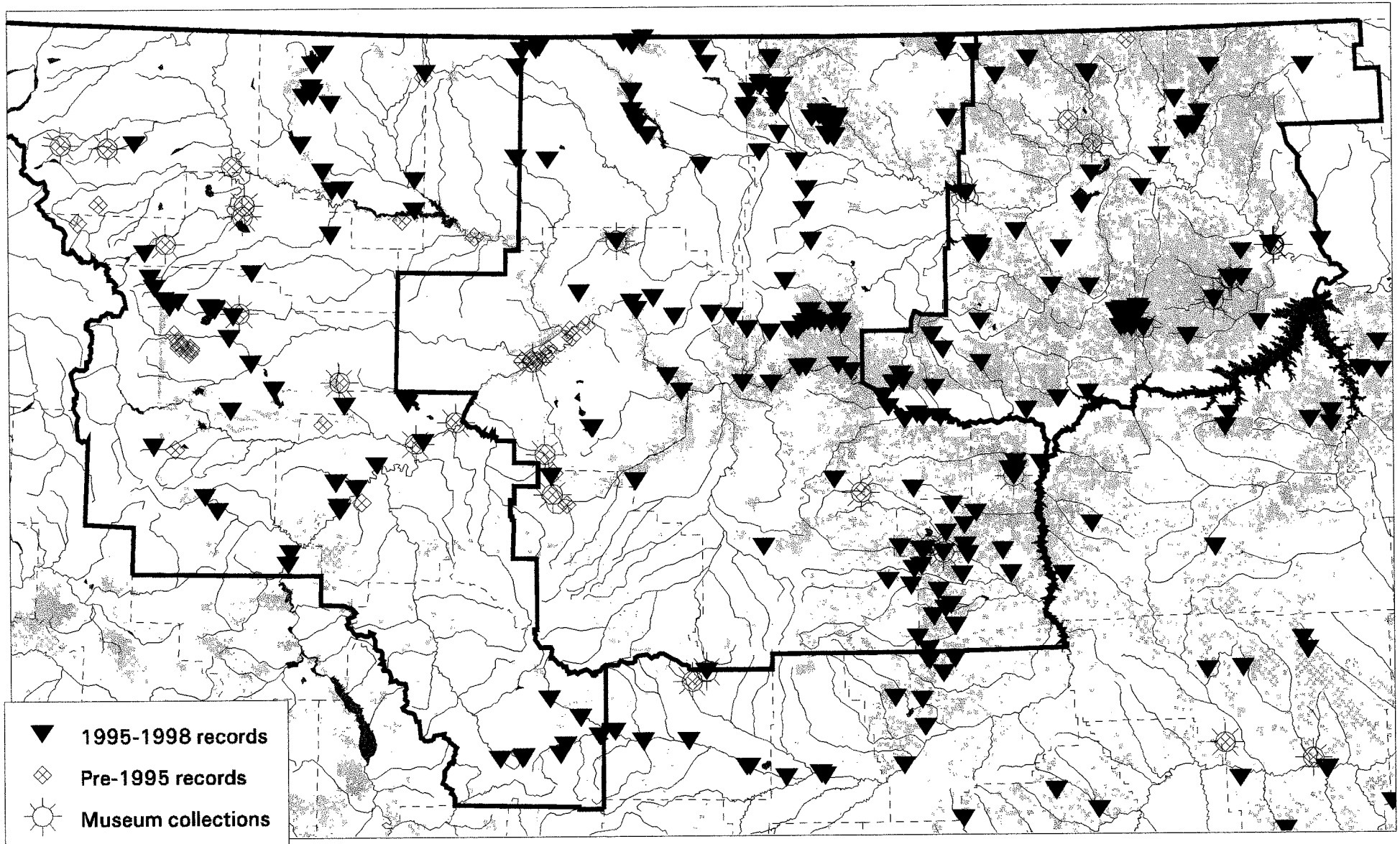
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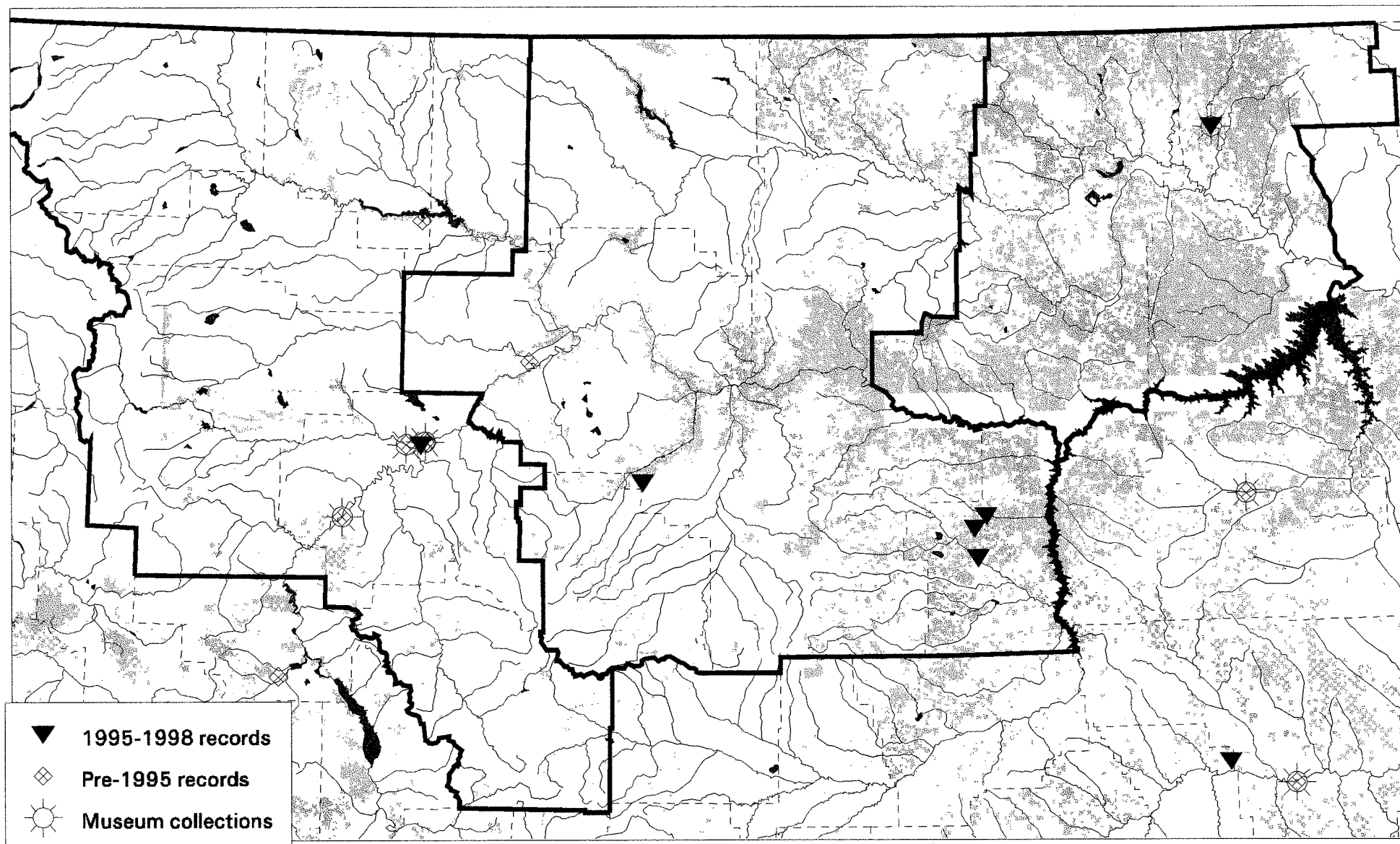
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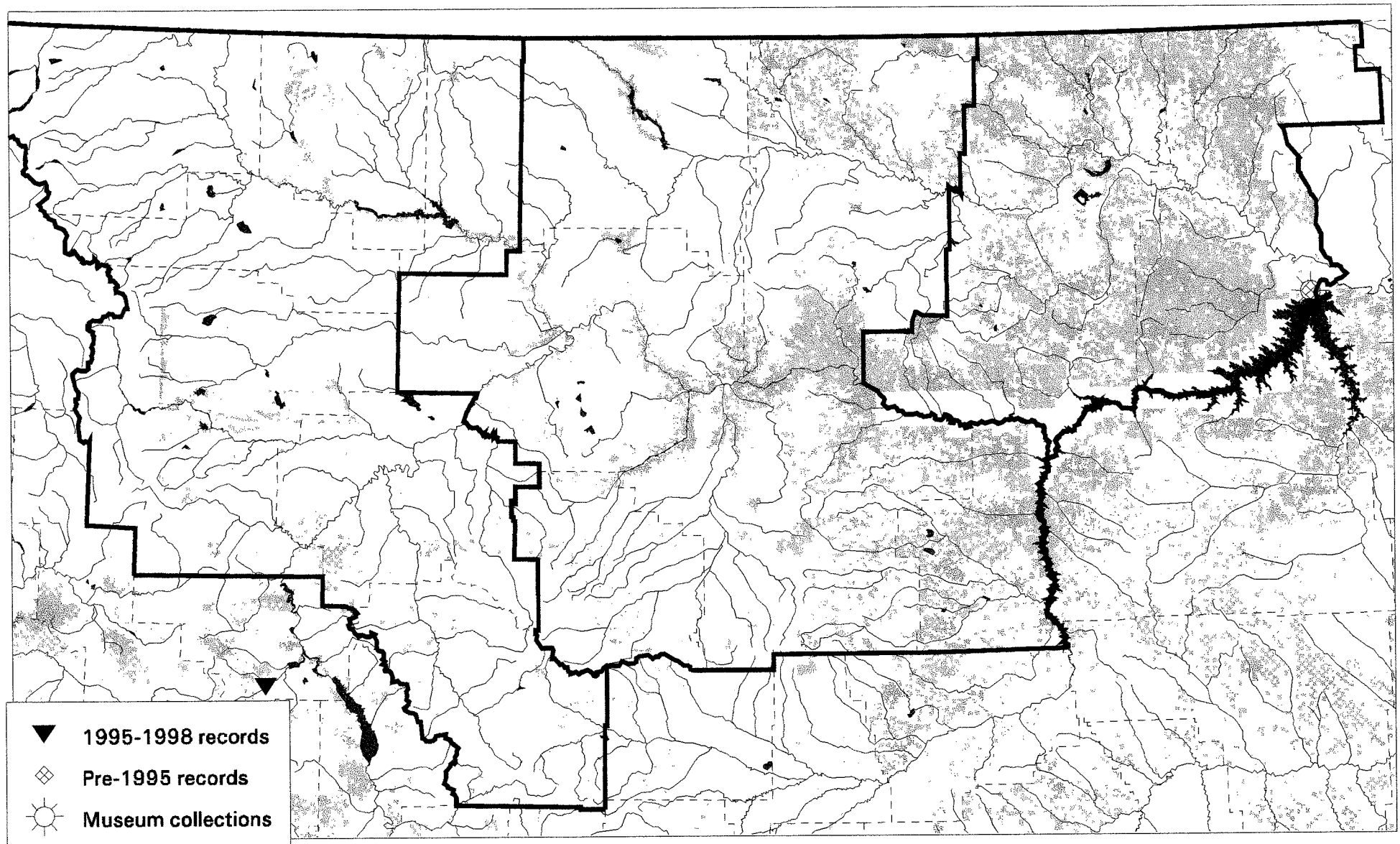
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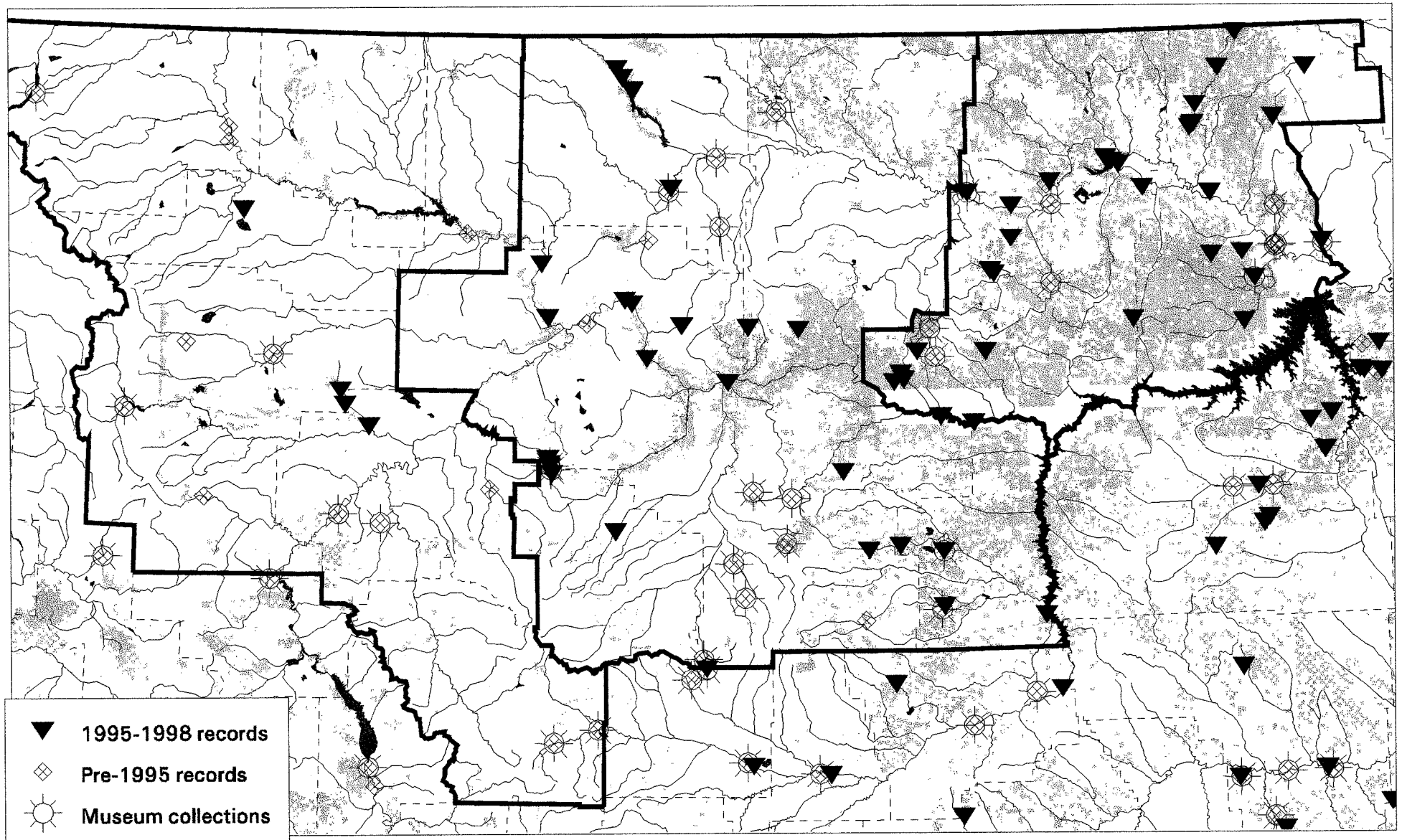
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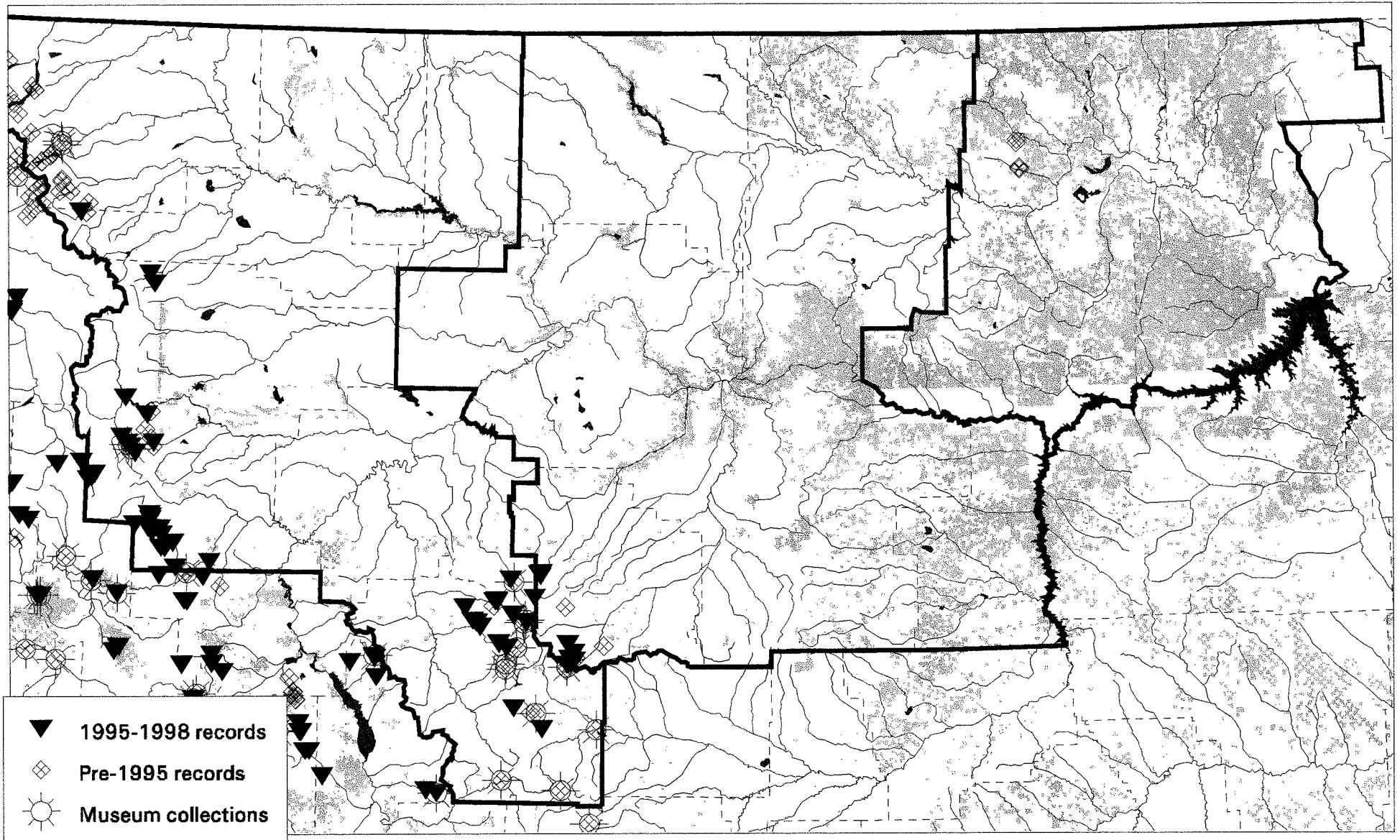
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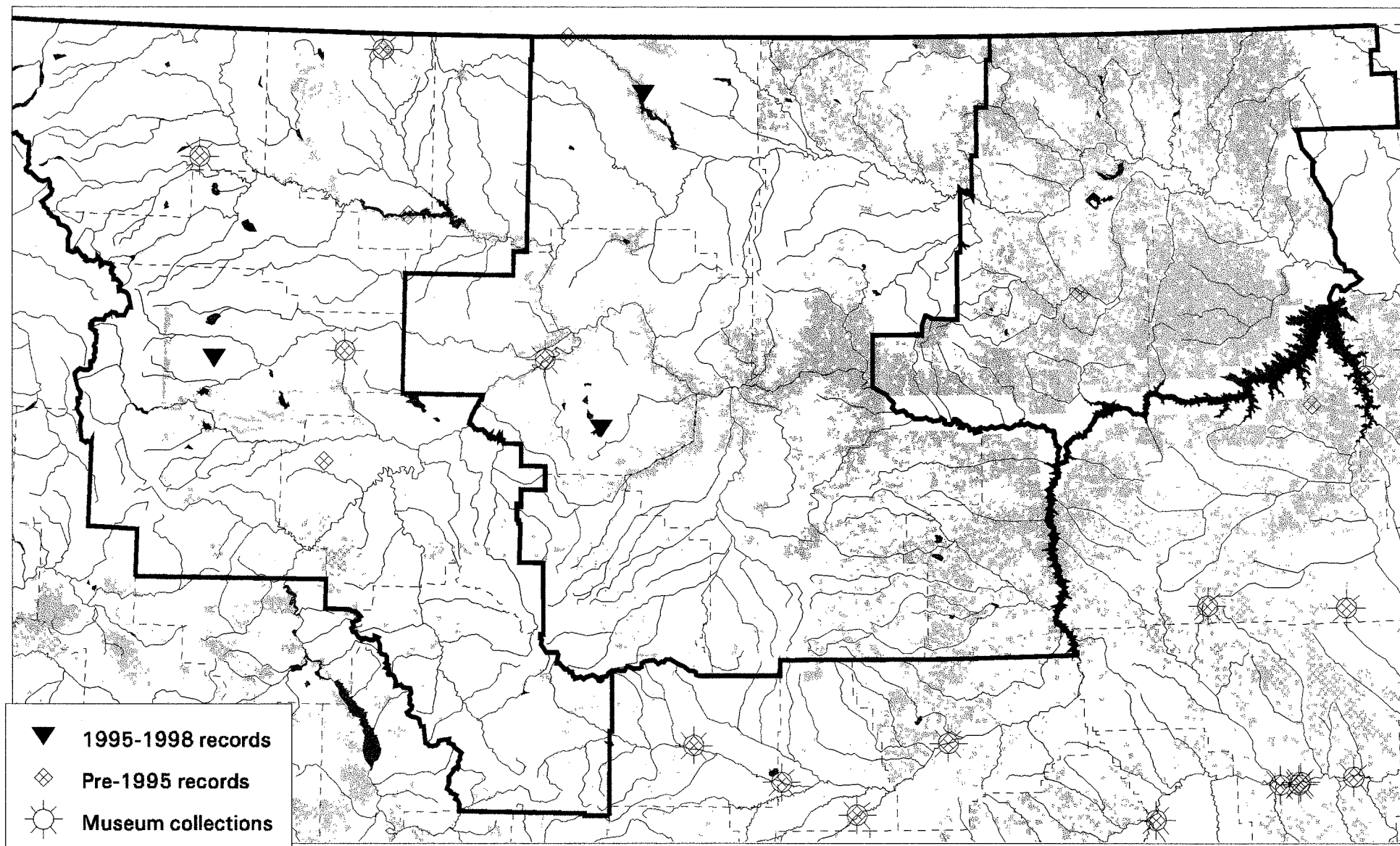
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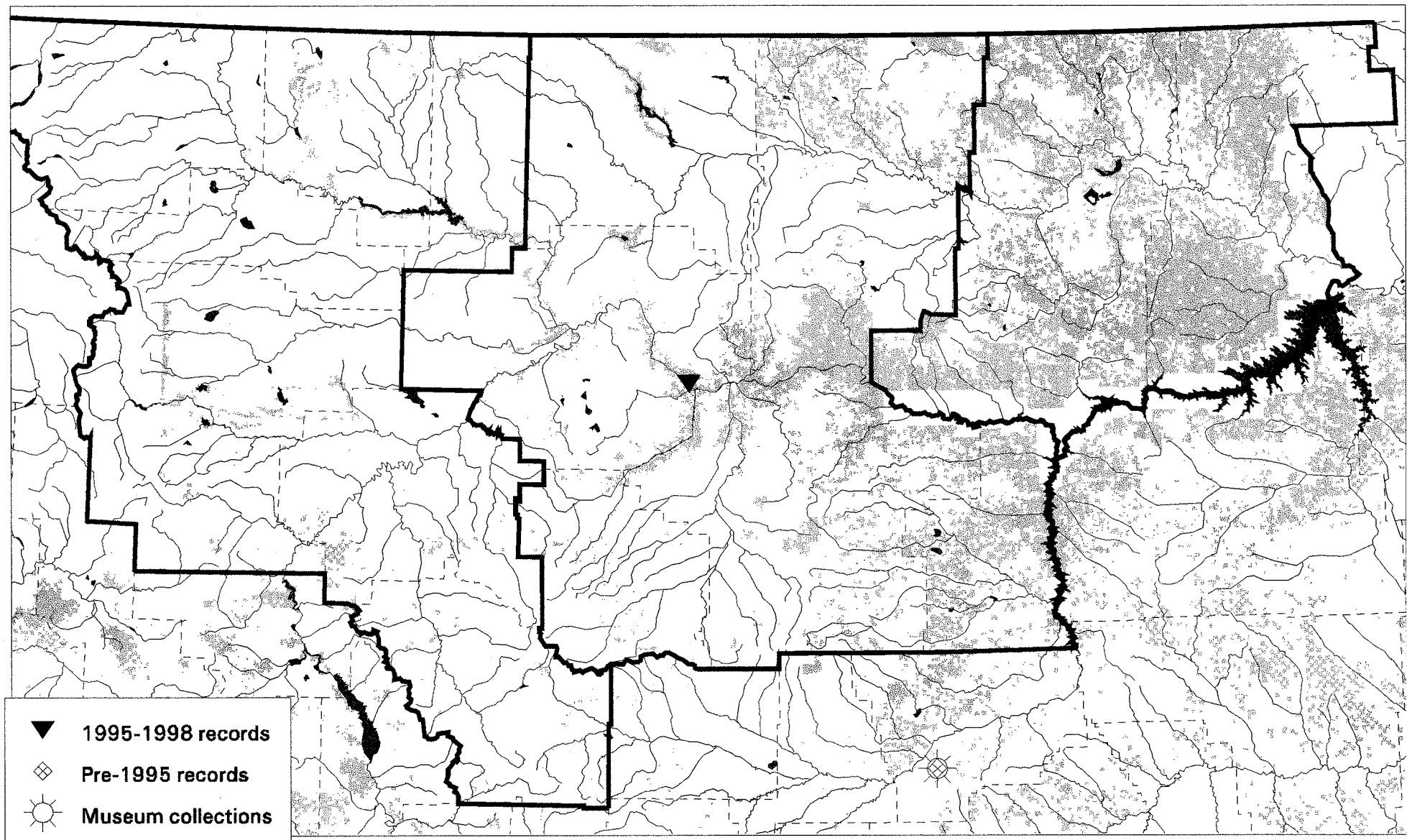
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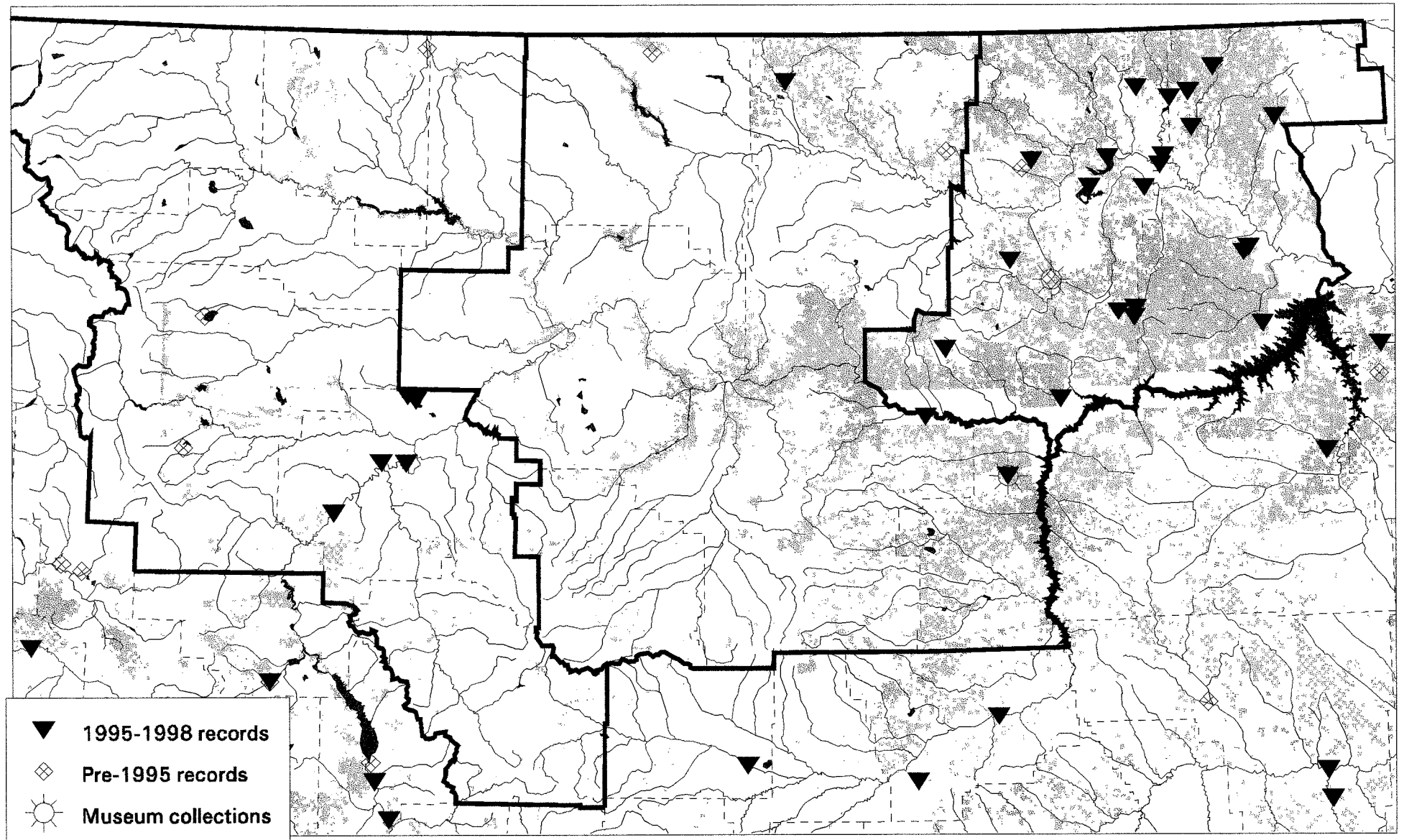
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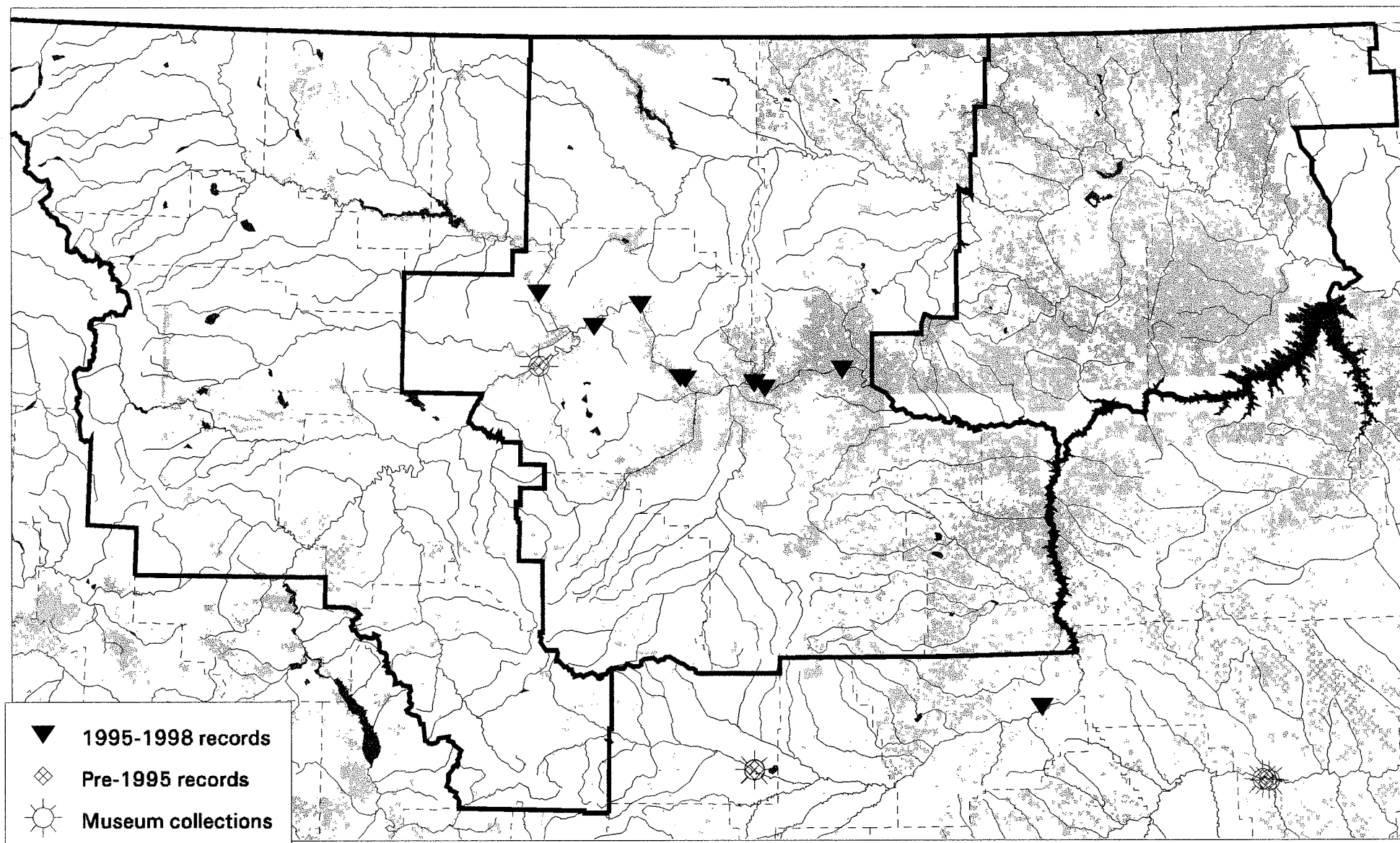
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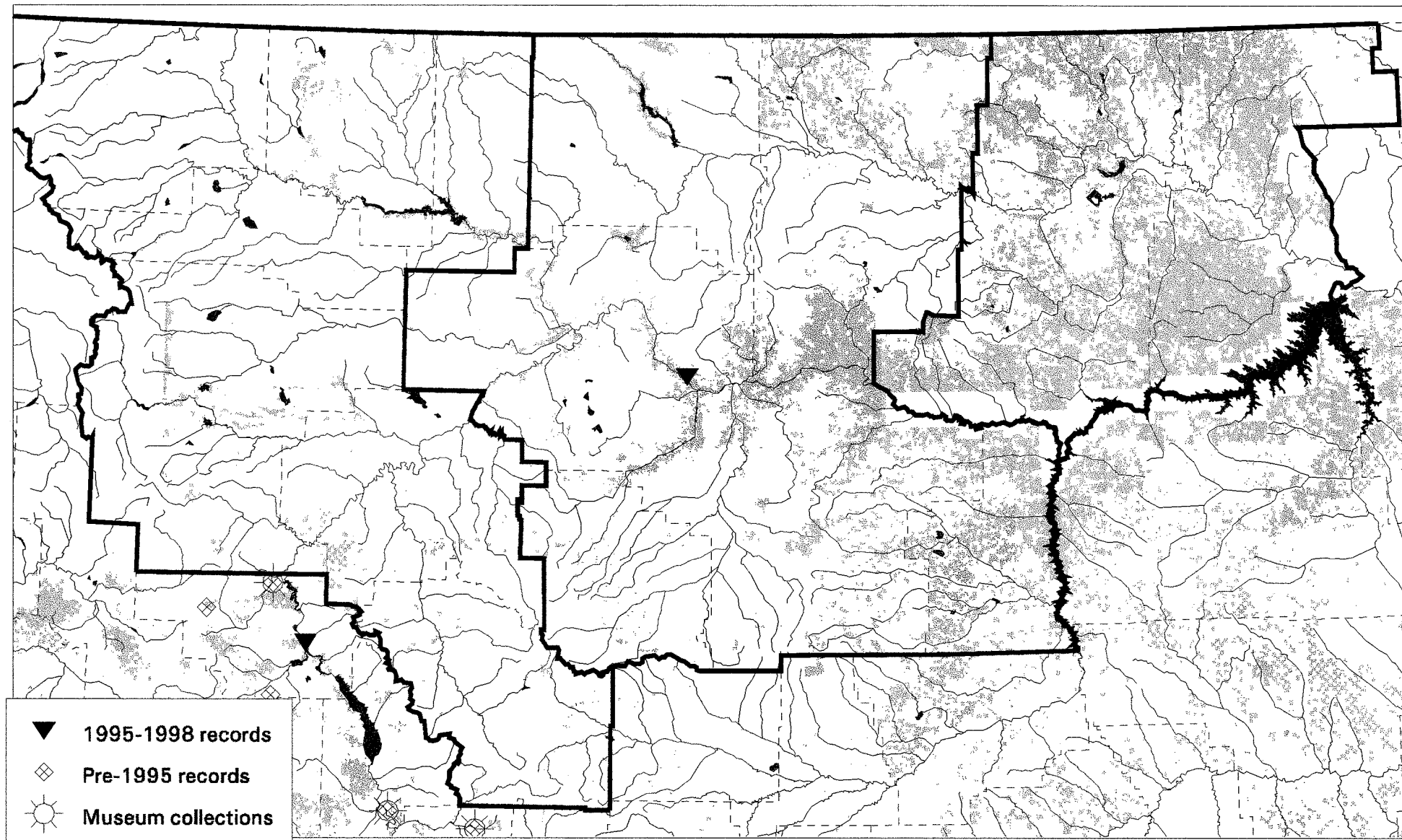
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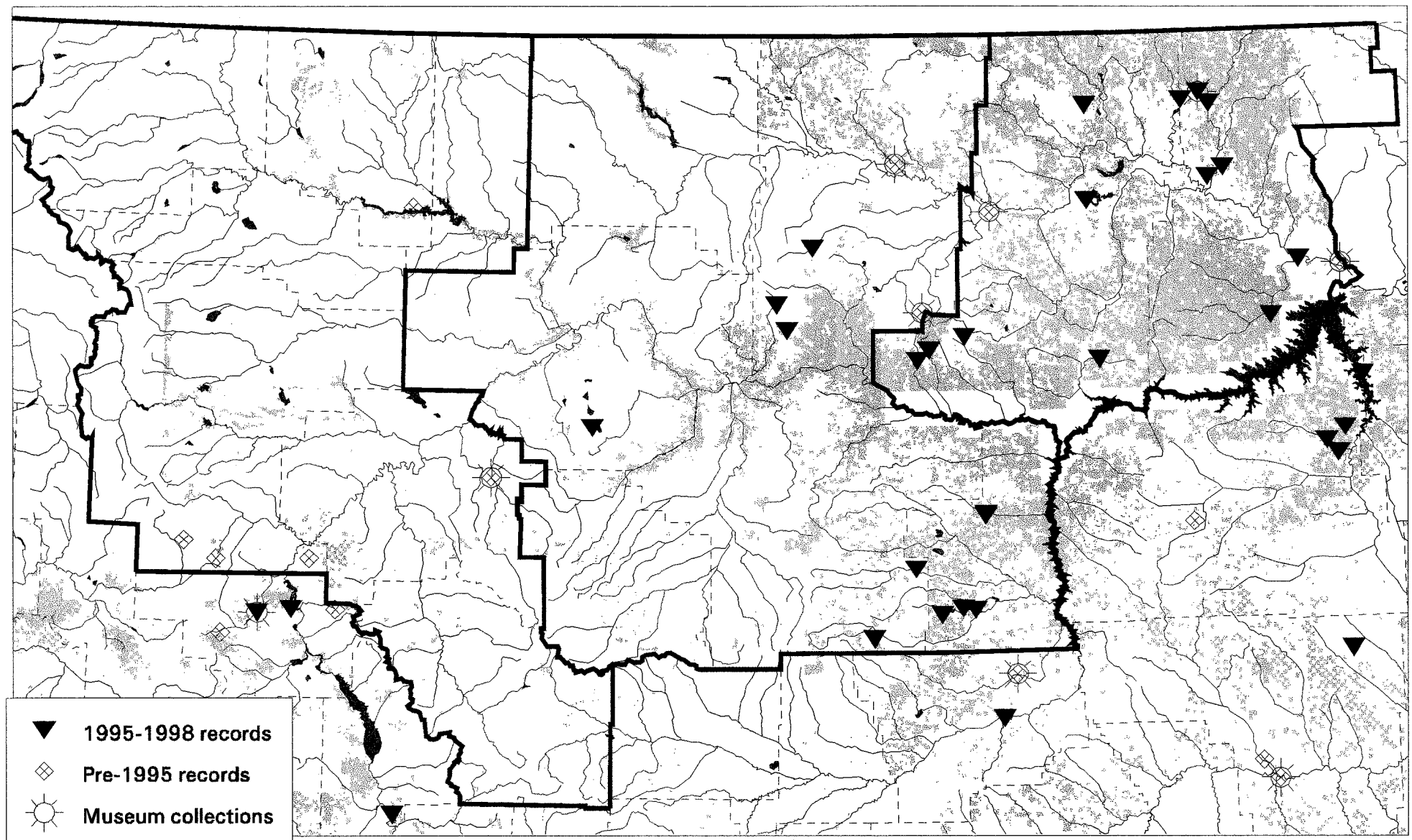
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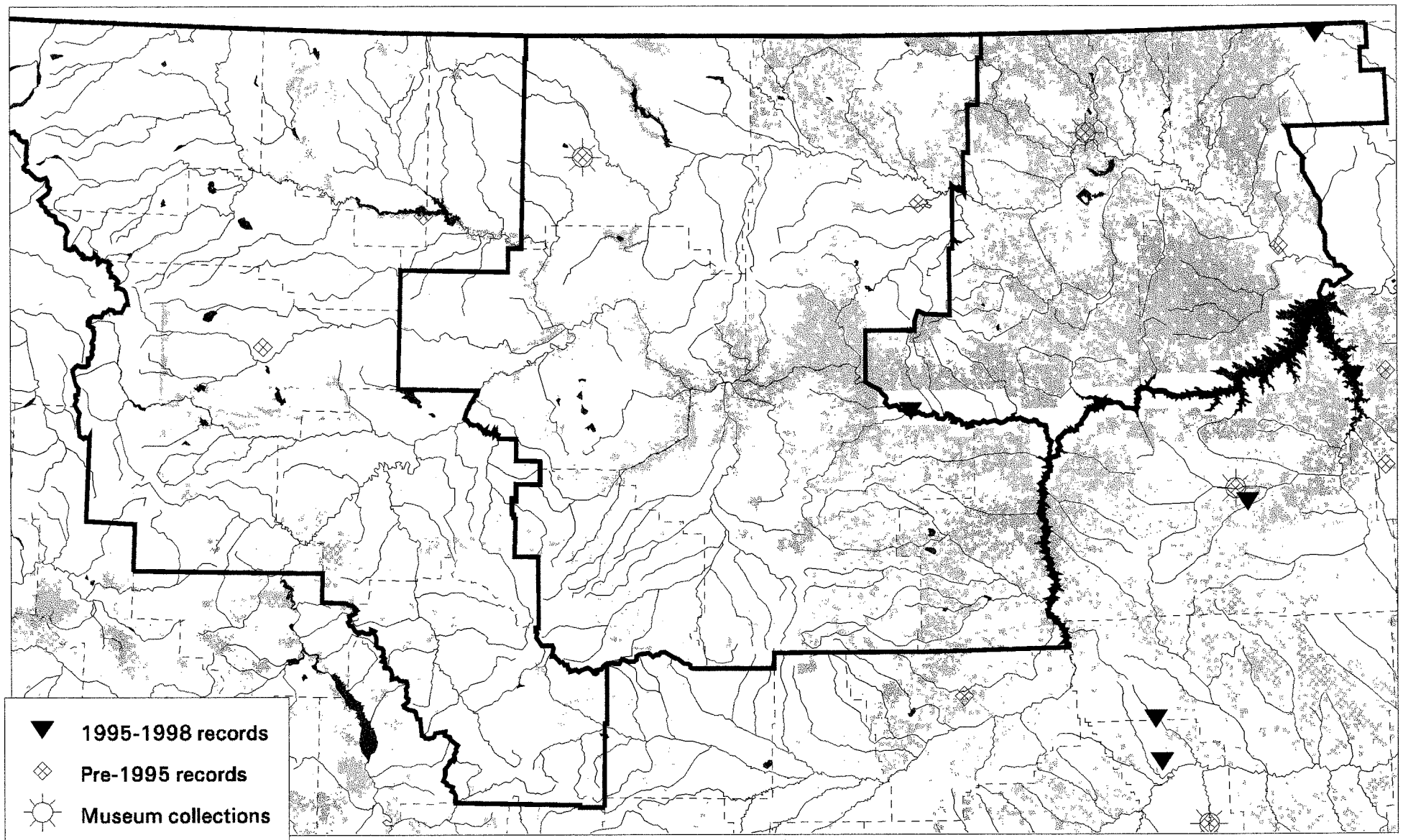
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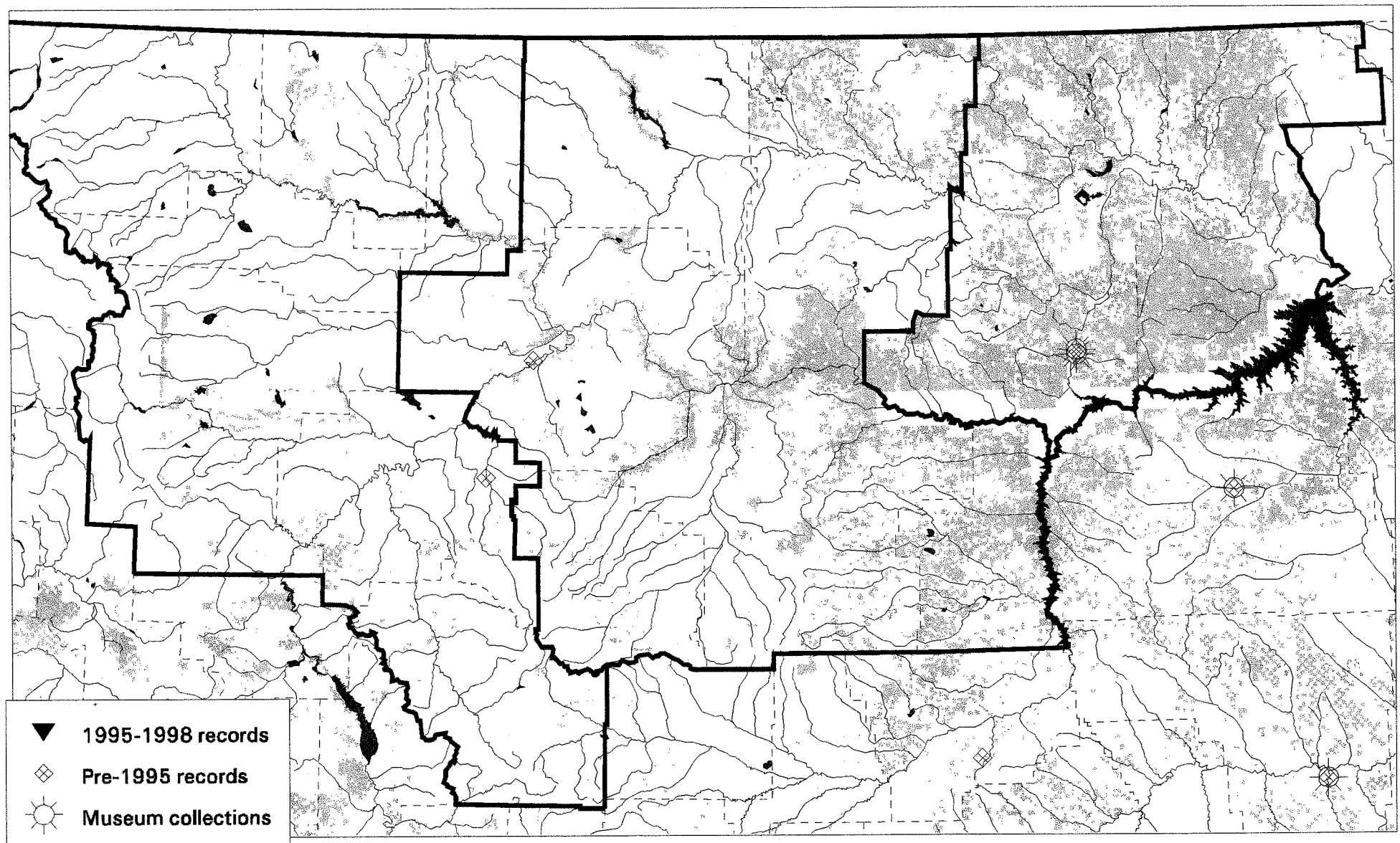
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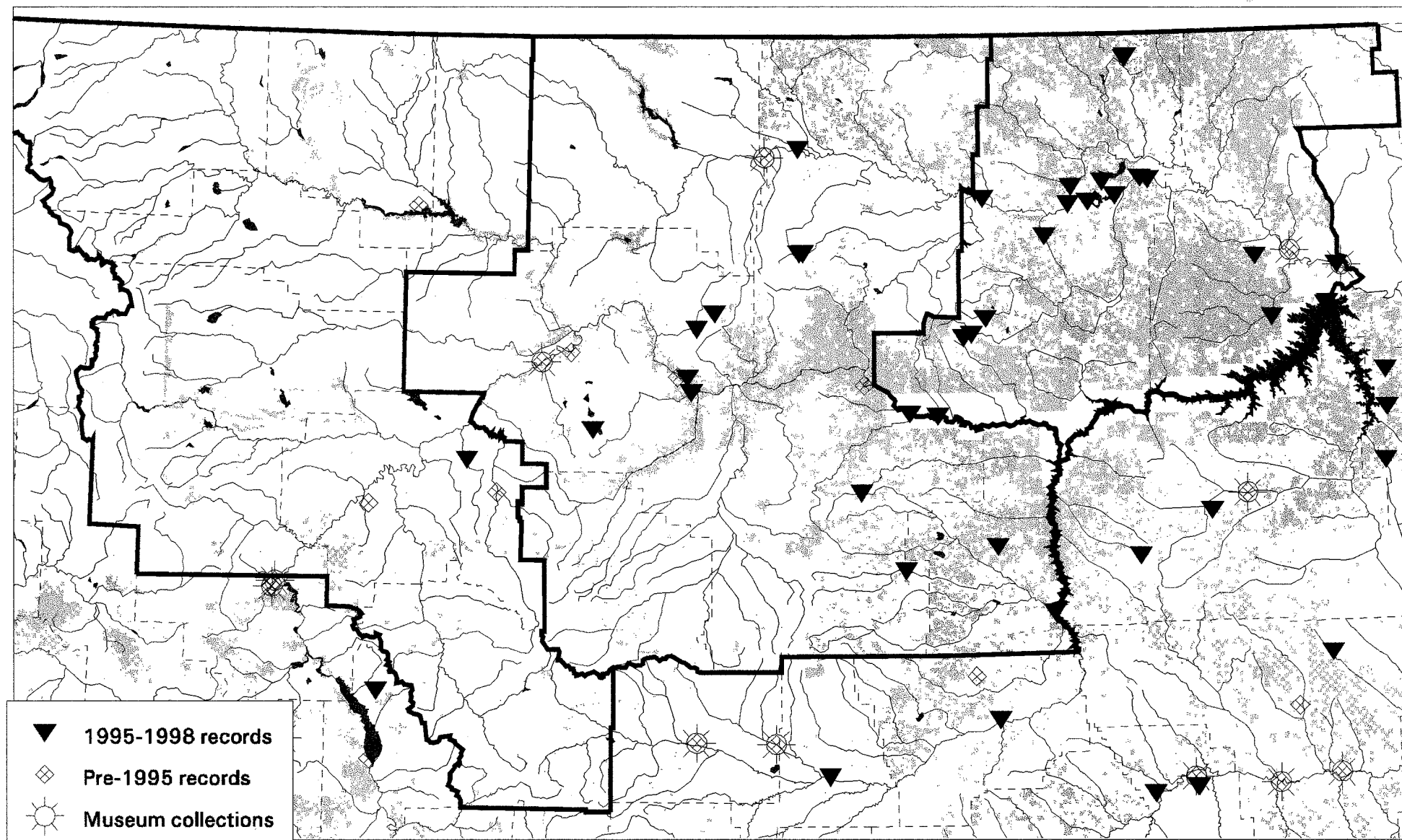
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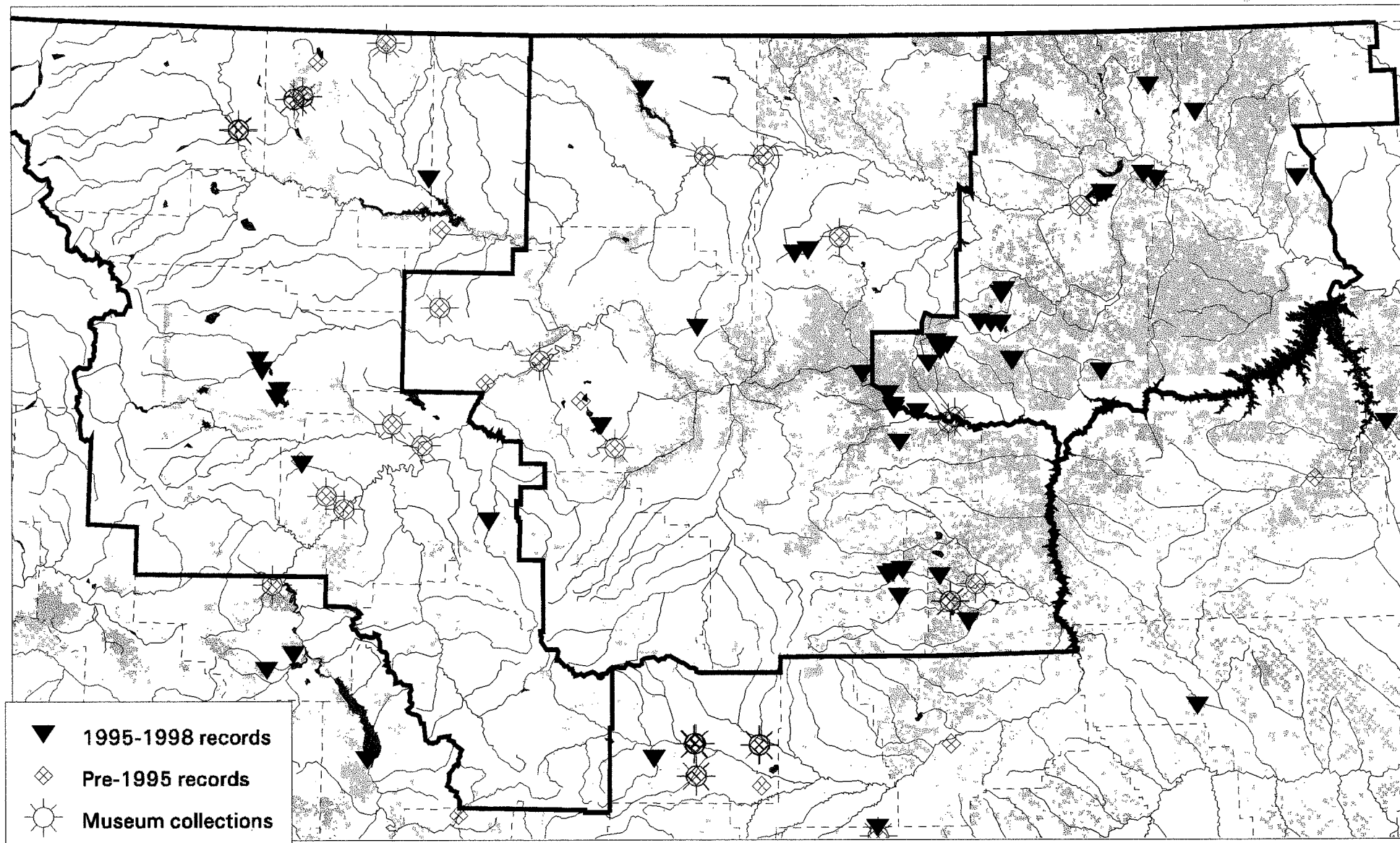
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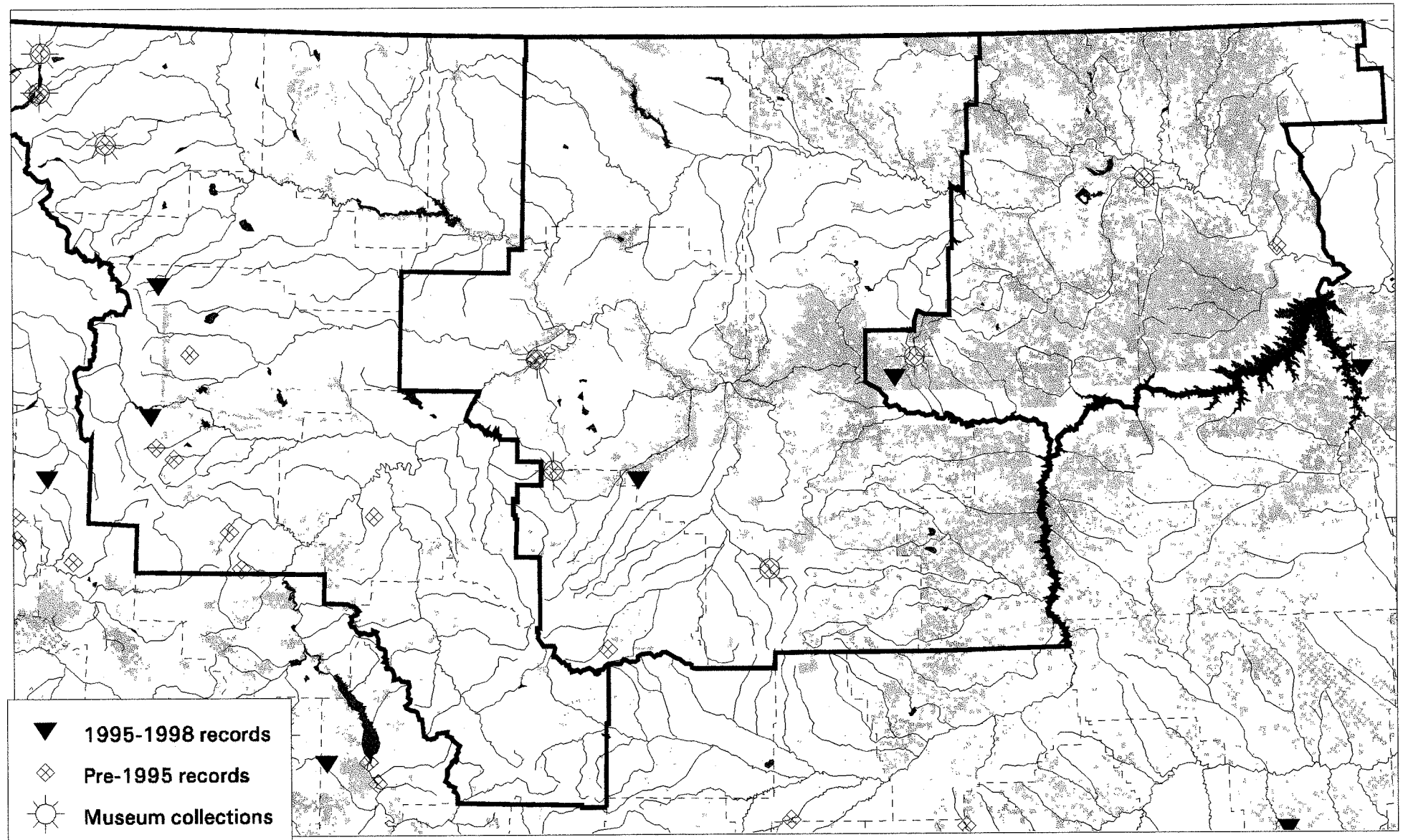
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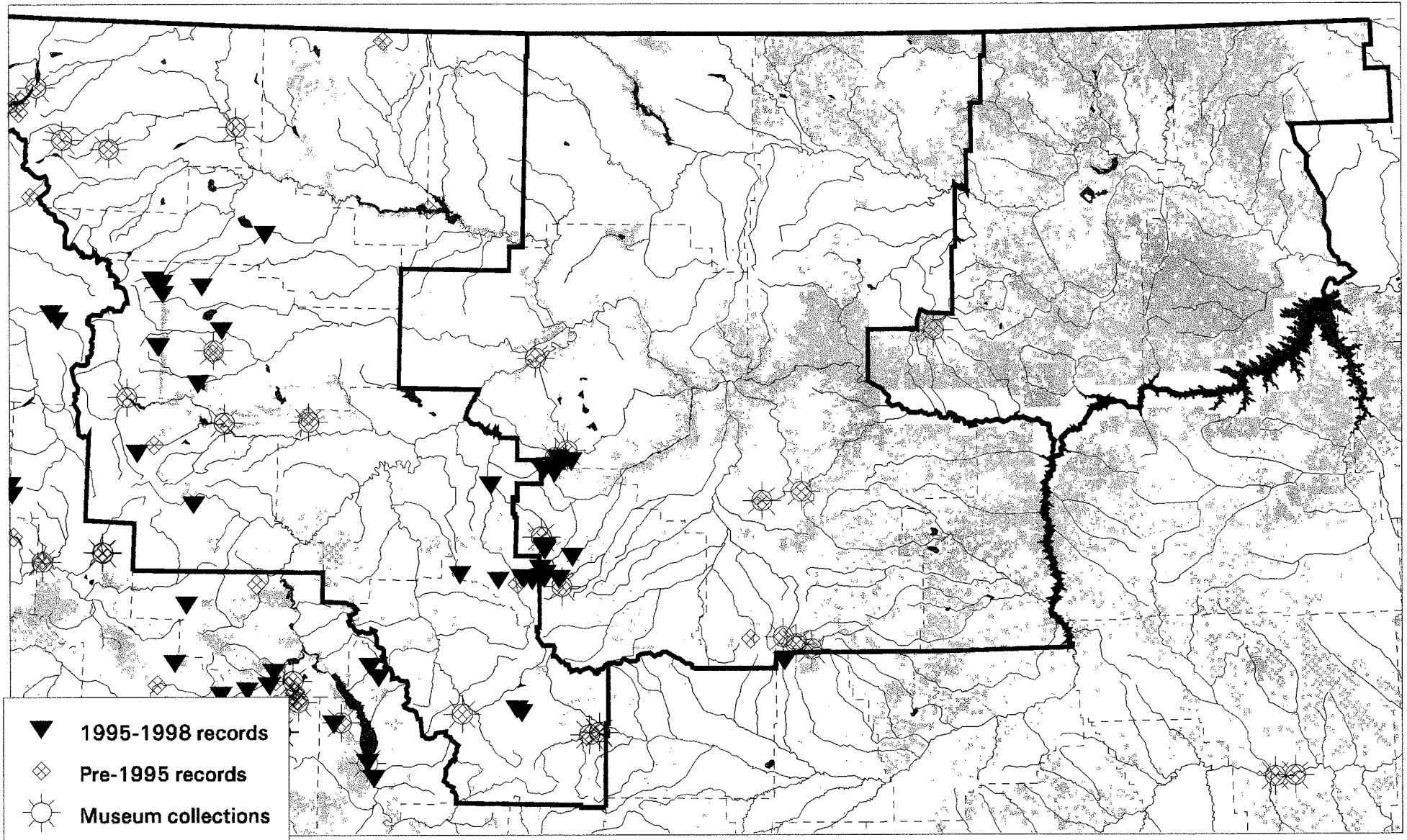
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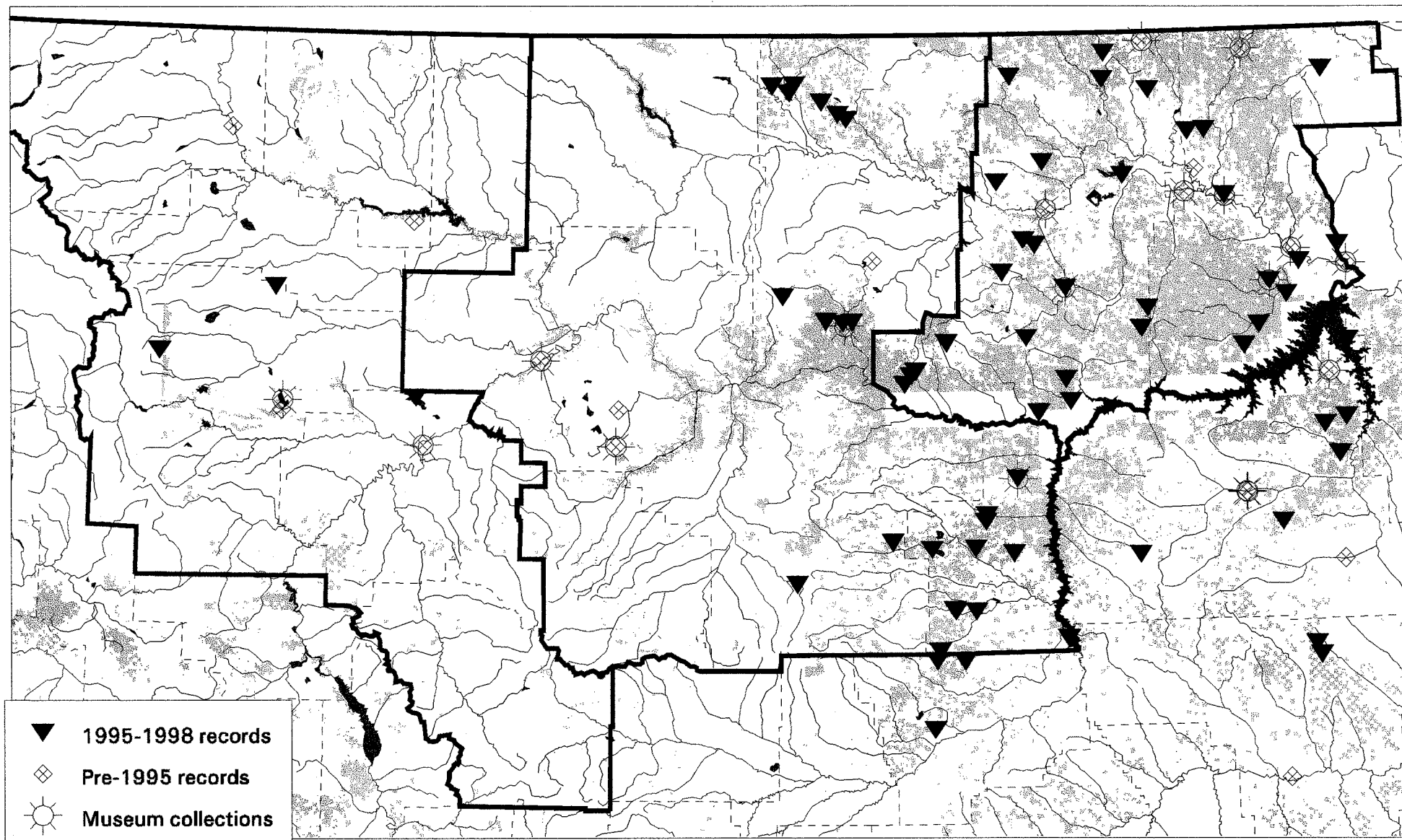
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